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Date of Sailing 5-30 p.m.	Steamers.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons
1913				
14th Jan.	SALSETTE	6940	MANTUA	11000
14th "	MACEDONIA	10500		
19th "	SALSETTE	6940	MALWA	11000
24th "	ARABIA	8001		
28th Jan.	SALSETTE	6940	MOOLTAN	10500
2nd	CHINA	8000		
9th "	SALSETTE	6940	MALOJA	12500
15th "	EGYPT	8030		
16th March	MOLDAVIA	11030		
4th "	PERSIA	7970		
13th "	SALSETTE	6940	MARMORA	10500
19th "	CALEDONIA	7000		
25th "	MANTUA	11031		
25th "	SALSETTE	6939	MEDINA	12500
30th April	ARABIA	8000		
12th "	MOLDAVIA	10 96		
16th "	MALOJA	12501		
28th "	SALSETTE	6935	MONGOLIA	10000
3rd May	EGYPT	8000		
13th "	SALSETTE	6939	MACEDONIA	10500
17th "	PERSIA	8000		

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*Dastalia	6338	G. Mitchell	7th Feb. "

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON 1913.

*Elysia	6363	J. Coverley 23rd Feb. 1913.
Massilia	5091	J. Thomson 9th March "
Olympia	5124	J. Kinnaird 23rd " "
*Circassia	5716	G.F.Osborne R.N.R 10th April "
Selandia	5105	Wm. Kelso 22nd " "
*Dastalia	6338	G. Mitchell 6th May "
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Kasara	1195	Thurs. 2nd Jan.	9 a.m. †	C.M.
Linga	2185	Friday 3rd Jan.	‡ 6 a.m.	direct.

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"Armand Behic"	6335	...Mouret	16th Jan. 1913.
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Australien	8395	...Costa	9th April 1913.
Oceanien	4143	...Magos	7th May 1913.

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Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
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Sardegna	5155	A. Maxio	15th Feb. 1913
Sicilia	5229	D. Maganzini	15th Mar. 1913

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Ischia	4059	G. Balsito	8th Jan. 1913
Capri	4193	A. de Amezaga	8th Feb. 1913.
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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Italian Steamer "ISCHIA," from HONGKONG and INTERMEDIATE PORTS, are hereby informed of her ARRIVAL on the 28th instant, and are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their cargo landed at Victoria Dock, No. 8 Shed.

All claims for damages etc., to be presented and adjusted before the departure of the steamer on the 6th Proximo.

No survey will be allowed after the removal of the goods from the Landing Shed.

G. FERRERO,
Agent, Societa N. De. S. Marittimi.
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NOTICE.

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NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Agents of the above Company in their office No. 17A, Altamount Road, Cumballa Hill, Bombay, upto 1 P.M., (S.T.), on WEDNESDAY, the fifteenth day of January, 1913, for the construction of the Mill buildings.

2. Forms of the terms and conditions of contract, specifications, &c., of the buildings and schedules of rates will be obtained from the agents on payment of Rs. 5.

3. The drawings of the proposed buildings will be shown in the office and any further information that may be required, will be given by the agents in the aforesaid office.

4. Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 500 in cash or public securities to be paid to the Agents and to be forfeited in case of withdrawl of tender or of refusal to sign the contract.

5. A further payment to make the total deposit equivalent to 5 per cent. on the contract amount will have to be made by the contractor whose tender may be accepted.

6. The Agents do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

D. M. WADIA & Co.,
Agents.

Altamount Road, Cumballa Hill,
Bombay, 30th December, 1912.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE BANK will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, the 31st instant and 1st proximo, those days being Public Houdays, under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 23rd December, 1912.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP hitherto carried on at Forbes Building Home Street, Bombay, by Messrs. NASSERWANJEE NOWROSJEE WADIA, RUSTOMJEE NOWROSJEE WADIA, and GEORGE ASHBY, under the style of NOWROSJEE WADIA and SONS has been DISSOLVED by mutual consent from the 31st day of December, 1912, so far as regards the said GEORGE ASHBY, who retires from the said Firm on the date aforesaid. The said Nasserwanjee Nowrosjee Wadia and Rustomjee Nowrosjee Wadia WILL CONTINUE TO CARRY on the business under the present name and style of NOWROSJEE WADIA and SONS.

Dated this 28th day of December, 1912.

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One 40" "Sirocco" Centrifugal Cased Fan suitable for direct coupling to steam engine or motor. This fan was used for a few months for induced draught, but is in good condition.

Offers will be received by the Vice-Chairman. The Corporation do not bind themselves to accept any offer or to assign any reason for rejecting any offer.

The above material and plant can be inspected at the Entally Incinerator site in Lower Circular Road opposite Dharamtolla Street.

Further detailed particulars may be obtained on application to the Chief Engineer.

C. C. CHATTERJEE,
Secretary to the Corporation.

Municipal Office.
The 22nd November, 1912.

NOTICE.

PHIPSON & CO., BOMBAY.
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LONDON DEC. 27.] [BOMBAY, DEC. 28.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	75 1-8		1-16
3 do. Rentes	89 1-4		unchgd
3 1-2 do. Sterling Loan	91 1-4		unchgd
do. do. Gov. securities	63 3-4		unchgd
Bar Silver in London Spot	28 7-8		1-16
do. 2 months' hence	29 1-16		1-16
Bar silver in New York	62 3-8		1-8
Exchanges on London at Paris	25 1-4		02 1-2
do. do. at Berlin	20 41		1-2
do. do. New York	4 85 3-4		1-2
Discount Bank of England Rate	5		since
do. Short London Bills	17th Oct		
3 months' sight	4 13-16		unchgd
do. Indian Bank bills			
6 months' sight	4 3-8		unchgd
do 3 months' Fine Trade Bills	5 3-8		unchgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills	5 3-8		unchgd
Interest day-to-day Loans	3 3-4		unchgd
do. 7 day Market Loans	4 5-8	1-2	

Bar Gold, ... 77-9 unchgd.

Exchange on India 30 days' sight (Bank buying rate) 1 3 15-16 unchgd

Closing Tone of Silver—Fall caused by India selling.

The Bombay mails of the 14th instant arrived at Brindisi on the morning of the 25th.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND Returns for the week ending yesterday, show the following results :—

Total Builtons	£30,300,000	Dec. £2,200,000
Public Deposits	£17,400,000	Inc. £1,100,000
Other Deposits	£39,100,000	Dec. £1,100,000
Government Securities	£13,500,000	Inc. Unchanged.
Other Securities	£35,800,000	Inc. £2,200,000
Notes and Gold	£19,200,000	Dec. £2,700,000

The Bank's Reserve is 38 per cent. of the Liabilities.

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Silver to Bombay	£	nil
Gold Bar to Bombay	£	140,000
Gold Coin to Bombay	£	nil
Silver to Ceylon	£	nil
Silver to Hongkong	£	36,000
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Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar-Apl.	Apr.-May.
6 91	6 86	6 85	6 84	6 82
+03	unchgd	unchgd	unchgd	unchgd
May-June	June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	
6 81	6 79	6 76	6 65	
unchgd	unchgd	unchgd	—01	

New York 11 a.m., Jan. 12·77 May. 12·73.
New York official Noon call Jan. 12·75 May. 12·71
New Orleans 10 a.m. Jan. 12·65 May. 12·97.

NEW YORK—

	Bales.
Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports	50,000
„ Receipts at „ last year	82,000
„ Exports to Great Britain	2,000
„ Exports to Continent	6,000
Spot Cotton	13·10—10

Futures—Month of Jan. 12·61—14 } Declined owing to commission house liquidation and to southern selling of futures in the local market.

Futures—Month of May 12·56—13

NEW ORLEANS—

Spot cotton	12 7-8 unchgd
Futures month of Jan.	12·72—13
Futures month of May.	12·41—13
Tone of Spot Cotton	Steady.

	Bales.
Week's Receipts at U. S. Ports	269,000
Do. Exports to Great Britain	62,000
Do. do. to France & Continent	126,000
Do. do. to Japan	6,000
Stock of cotton at U. S. Ports	1,336,000
Do. do. at Interior Ports	830,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON STATISTICS— Bales.

Total actual Exports	8,000
do Forwarded	88,000
do Imports	157,000
do Stocks	1,240,000

Liverpool, Dec. 27.

Tone Discotics and Shirtings—Good enquiry at firm rates.

Tone Cloths ... Quiet but firm.
Weft American "54" ... 12 1-8
Weft Egyptian "80" ... 18 3-8
Tone—Yarn—Market quiet.
Weft Egyptian "32" ... 12 1-8
Twist " "32" W T C ... 10 3-4
Twist " "32" B ... 11
Cloth Gunni's 20 36inch ... 14
Twist " "36" W T C ... 11
Twist " "36" B ... 11 1-4
Twist " "42" ... 12 1-2
Twist American "60" ... 16 1-2
Twist Egyptian "60" ... 17 1-4
Twist Egyptian "80" ... 22
40s Banner Mill Twist ... 11 5-8
Geo Mayall's Yarn ... 11 3-8
F. G. F. Tinnevely C I F—Liverpool ... 6 3-4
Buyers or Sellers ... Nominal.
Months ... Dec.-Jan.

Grey shirtings 39 in. by 37 1-2 88 yds 16 by 12 8 lbs Red Heading ... 7 9
„ „ 44 in. by 39 yds 14 by 13-8 lbs 8 7
White Nainsooks 28 in. by 18 yds 16 by 13 to 16-15 tange 3 0 3-4
„ Mull 28 in. by 18 yds 14 by 12 Green Ends ... 4 1-
„ Shirtings 32-36 in. by 42 yds Liepmans No 1560 ... 12 9
40s Banner Mill Twist ... 11 5-8
Geo Mayall's Yarn ... 11 3-8

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... ... Nominal
Do. Months— ... ...
Do. Name of Ports— ... ...
Wheat White Karachi ... ... 38 3-1 unchgd
Do. Months ... ... Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Buyers
Wheat Red Karachi ... ... 32 3-4 unchgd
Do Months—Dec.-Jan—London—Sellers.
Tone—Firm.
Australian Wheat.— ... ... unchgd

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—

Yellow Cawnpore per 415 lbs 85 p.c. ex-ship. 50 1-4 unchgd
Do. Months— ... Dec.-Jan
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. ex-ship ... Nominal
Do. Months— ... .
Do. Name of Ports.— ... .
Brown Cawnpore ... 47 3-4 unchgd.
Do. Months— ... Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports.—Antwerp—Nominal
Tone—Quiet.

LINSEED—

Bombay, per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 49 unchgd
Do. Months— ... March-May
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet.
Linseed Calcutta 45 7 1-2
Do. Months— ... ... April-June.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Sellers—Quiet
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ... 42 1-2—1-4
Do. Months— ... Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports—Hamburg—Sellers.

COTTONSEED.—

Bombay Cottonseed Market ... £6 15-0 +0-1-0
Dec. Jan.—Hull—Sellers—Firmer.

MISCELLANEOUS

COFFEE—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) ... ... 14 1-8 unchgd

RUBBER—

Para Rubber... ... ... 4 7
Dec.-Jan.—Sellers—Quiet

METALS—

Copper Braziers ... £ 83 1-4+1-4
Yellow Metal ... d. 7 3-8d. unchgd
Standard Copper G M B ... £ 76 3-16+1-4
Tin Plates I. C.Coke 14 by 20 112 sheets per box weighing 90 lbs c. i. f. Liverpool ... .
Bar Iron, Belgian No. 2 ordinary sizes F. O. B. Antwerp ... 6 1 0
Iron Corrugated Sheets 24 gauge G.O.B. 4 per cent. F. O. B. Liverpool ... 12 10 0
Basic steel Bars Belgian C. I. F. India ... 6 16 3

FREIGHTS—

Coals—Cardiff, to Bombay Canal... 13-6 Nominal.

ARRIVALS :—

"Strathblane" "Hindu" "Cornivall" Lockaley Hall"

SUGAR—No change.

German granulated Sugar C & F India (Double bags) ... 12 11 1-4
Do. Months of Shipment... Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet-Holiday Market
Hungarian Crystals Sugar C & F India ... 12 9 3-4
Do Months of Shipments ... Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—Neglected.
German Beet-root 50 p.c. ... 9 5 1-2
Months of Shipments ... Dec.—Sellers
9 10 3-4—May—Sellers.
Tone.—Scarcely any business. Feat
E A R & Similar Crystal C & F India ... 14 1 1-2
Months of Shipments ... Mar-Aug.—Sellers.
Tone—Inactive.
Mauritius Crystals C & F Calcutta and Bombay ... 12 6
Months of Shipments ... Dec.—Value.
Tone—Quiet
Java Sugar—Nothing doing unchanged.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

SATURDAY EVENING.] [28TH DEC., 1912

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importers.
	Rs.		
694 Bars silver	15,00,000	London	Hongkong Bank
776 Bars silver.	16,50,000	do	Yokohama Bank
207 Bars silver	4,50,535	do	National Bank
175 Bars silver.	3,75,000	do	International Bank
134 Bars silver.	3,00,000	do	Russo-Asiatic Bank
135 Bars silver	3,00,000	do	Chartered Bank

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 28th Dec, 1912.

By	Bars	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway	40	47,798
B. B. and C. I. Railway	37	44,434

FINANCIAL.

EXCHANGE :—

The market opened steady and unchanged. There has however been no improvement in the volume of business passing, the enquiry for Bank remittance being still small and Private Bills as scarce as ever. Far Eastern rates are a little easier.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	...1s. 4 3-32d
Demand Drafts	...1s. 4 1-3
Credits 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 13-32d.
Do. do forward	...1s. 4 3-8d. 15th Jan.
Do. do Francs	...172
Do. do Marks	...140 1-4
Hongkong 60 days' sight	...151 1-4
Shanghai "	...211
Japan "	...149 1-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER :—

The market opened quiet at 95 for Cash and the first settlement and has declined 1-8 during the day, closing as under. A moderate business has been done.

We quote :—

Cash	Rs.	94 14 0
1st Settlement	„	94 14 0
2nd do	„	95 0 0 buyers

BULLION :—

Bar Silver in London yesterday closed 1-16 lower at 28 7-8 for ready and 29 1-16 for forward. New York was 1-8 down at 62 3-8. The local market opened at 72 9-16 for ready and the first settlement, and has declined 1-8 during the day. A fair business has been done and rates close as under for all positions. Bar gold is steady.

We quote :—

English Bar Gold	Rs.	23 15 0
Australian „	„	23 15 0
Sovereigns „	„	15 0 0
Silver (ex duty)		
Ready	„	72 7 0
1st Settlement	„	72 7 0
2nd Settlement	„	73 15 0
Silver (cum duty)		
Ready	„	81 13 0
1st Settlement	„	81 13 0
2nd Settlement	„	82 5 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT:—

The American markets reopened steady after the holidays, but some heavy speculative selling by Wall Street during the day resulted in a decline of 14 to 18 points at the close. The decline is expected to be temporary, and further fluctuations are likely. The local market opened quiet with prices about Rs. 2 lower, good Broach being quoted Rs. 322 and fine Khamgaon, Akola January Rs. 323. There has been little business doing to-day for forward delivery, and the market closes quiet with a somewhat easier tendency.

For ready cotton the enquiry has been small and as holders are more anxious to move stocks, prices are easier.

QUOTATIONS :—

NEW CROP.

Fine M. G. Broach	... Rs.	338-9	March.
Good M. G. Broach	... Rs.	322	„
Fine M.G. Wardha-Hinganghat	„	339	Jan.
Fine M. G. Nagpur	... „	336	„
Fine M.G. Dhamangaon Pulgaon	„	331	„
F. M. G. Khamgaon-Akola	„	323	„
Fine M. G. Khandeish	... „	305	„
F. G. M. G. Khandeish	... „	296	„
Fine M. G. Bengal	... „	294-5	„
Fine M. G. Bengal	... „	.....	„
F. G. H. G. Bengals	... „	263-9	Jan.

LIVERPOOL OPENER.—

Opening Tone	...	Easy
Estimated Sales	...	4,000 bales.
Total Imports	...	54,000 „

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6·83	6·78	6·77
—03	—08	—08
Mar.-Apr	Apr.-May.	May-June.
6·76	6·74	6·73
—08	—08	—08
June-July.	July-August.	Aug.-Sept
6·71	6·69	6 57
—03	—03	—08

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED :—

The market is quiet,

We quote :—

Ready	...	Rs. 8 5 0	B.T.
Apl-May 1913	...	Rs. 9 2 3	B.T.

RAPESEED :—Quiet.

We quote :—

Brown Delhi Apl-May	...	Rs. 8 3 0	R.T.
Brown Cawnpore ready	... „	7 10 0	B.T
Yellow	... „	8 7 0	„

GINGELLYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet but steady.

Sold White 85 p.c.	...	Rs. 56 8 0	
Mimbara	...	„ 57 8 0	
Black Kutni	...	„ 48 8 0	
Red Khandwa	...	„ 53 8 0	

POPPYSEED :—

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote :—

Ready	...	Rs. 12 12 0	B. T.

CASTORSEED :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

Ready	...	Rs. 37 0 0	

COTTONSEED :—

Tone—Steady. We quote :—

Ready	...	Rs. 26 0 0	

GROUNDNUTS :—

Tone—Steady.

We quote :—

Jan.-Dec. Bold	...	Rs. 46 0 0	
Jan.-Dec. Small	...	„ 45 0 0	

MOWRASEED :—

Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote :—

Ready	...	Rs. 8 10 0	B. T.

WHEAT :—

The market is steady.

We quote :—

White Pissi ready 85 n.c.	Rs.	5 6 6	R. T
White Delhi May 1913	„	5 8 0	R.T.

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	...	...	1,740
Bank of India	...	...	64
Eastern Bank	...	...	96
Indian Specie	...	...	70 1-2

MILLS.

David	...	...	475
Kohinoor	...	...	775
Manockji Petit	...	...	3,045
New Great Eastern	...	...	255
Standard	...	...	1,370

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary	...	...	175
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference	...	...	180

RAILWAY.

Tapti Valley	...	...	567 1-2

DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of produce into Bombay, during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m., yesterday :—

Cotton	...	...	19,365 bales.
Wheat	...	...	9,581 owts.
Linseed	...	...	343 „
Rapeseed	...	...	3 „
Gingellyseed	...	...	11,224 „
Poppyseed	...	...	43 „
Groundnuts	...	...	19,205 „
Castorseed	...	...	2,537 „
Rice	...	...	58,358 „
Myrabollams	...	...	2,952 „
Cottonseed	...	...	19,797 „
Mowrasee	...	...	196 „
Gram	...	...	3,634 „
Joowar	...	...	4,418 „
Maize	...	...	1,604 „
Barley	...	...	643 „

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, DEC. 23.] [BOMBAY, DEC. 29.]

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2 1-2 per cent. Consols	75 1-16		1-16
3 do. Rentes	89		
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan	91 1-4		unchgd
do. Govt. Securities	63 3-4		unchgd
Bar Silver in London	28 15-16	1-16	
do. 2 months' hence	29 1-8	1-16	
do. in New York	62 1-2		1-2
Exchange on London at Paris	25 3-3 1-2		1-2
do. at Berlin	20 41 1-2		1-2
do. at New York	4 8477-8	1-8	
Discount Bank of England Rate	5		since
do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight	4 13-16		unchgd
do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	4 3-8		1-16
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills	5 3-8		unchgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills	5 2-8		unchgd
Interest day-to-day Loans	3 3-4		unchgd
Interest 7 day Market Loans	4 7-8	1-4	

Closing tone of Silver—China buying.

Bar Gold ...77-9 unchgd.

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank buying rate) 1 3 15-16.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—		
Spot	Easier.	Quiet.
Futures	...	Quiet.
Total Sales	...	5,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export	...	300
Imports	...	54,000
Mid-Americans	...	7·11—07
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown	...	10·00 unchgd

a late yesterday 2,000 bales.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.
6·84	6·79	6·77	6·76
—07	—07	—08	—08
Apl.-May.	May-June.	June-July	July-Aug.	Aug-Sept.
6·75	6·73	6 71	6·68	6·57
—07.	—08	—08	—08	—03

NEW YORK—

	Bales.
Day Receipts at U. S. Ports	45,000
Days Receipts at U. S. last year	75,000
Exports to Great Britain	31,000
Exports to Continent	15,000
Spot Cotton—	13·10 unchgd

Futures—Month of Jan. 12·60—01 } Declined owing to longs unloading and advanced on foreign buying.

Futures—Month of May 12·59—03

NEW ORLEANS—

Spot Cotton	12 7-8 unchgd
Futures mont Jan.	12·78—06
Futures month of May	+04
Tone of Spot Cotton	Steady.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

	Bales.
Total into Sights	9,320,000
Egyptian Visible Supply	488,000
East Indian do	90,000
American do	5,053,000
Other do	111,000
Total Sales	28,000
East Indian sales	100
Total Speculation	1,000
Do. Exportation	1,000

Best Indian Export	nil.
Do. Indian Stock	3,000
Do. Forwarded Consumer	200
Do. Actual Exports	nil
Do. Week's Imports	nil
Do. Speculation	nil
Americans Afloat	420,000
East Indian	3,000
Total afloat	489,000

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... Nominal,
Do. Months— ... .
Do. Name of Ports— ... .
Wheat White Karachi ... 39 1-8
Do. Months—Feb.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—Hull—Sellers.
Wheat Red Karachi ... 38 3-8
Do. Month—Dec.-Jan.—London—value.
Tone—Quiet but steady.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—

Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p.c. ex-ship ... 50 1-2
Do. Months— ... Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs., 85 p. c. ex-ship ... Nominal.
Do Months ... .
Do Name of Ports. ... .
Brown Cawnpore ... 48
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Seller,
Tone—Steady.

LINSEED—

Bombay per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 49 1-4
Do. Months—Mar.-May.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers
Tone—Firm.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ... 42 2-4
Do. months— ... Jan.-Feb.
Do Name of Ports—Hamburg—Sellers.

COTTONSEED—

Bombay Cottonseed Market ... £ 6-15-0
Dec.-Jan. Hull—Sellers—Steady.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality)... ... ...13 7-8 unchanged

RUBBER—

Para Rubber ... 4 6 3-4—Dec.-Jan.—Sellers. Easier

SUGAR—

German granulated sugar C & F India double bags ... 12 11 1-4d
Do. Months of Shipment ... Jan.-Mar. Sellers.
Tone—
Hungarian Crystal Sugar C & F India ... 12s 9 3-4d
Do. Months of Shipments ...Jan.-Mar.—Sellers.
Tone—
German Beet-root 88 p. c. ... 9 6 1-2
Months of Shipments ... Dec.—Sellers.
9 11—May—Sellers.
Tone—Steady. Nothing much doing.
E A R & Similar Crystals C & F India ... 14s 1 1-2
Months of Shipments March.-Aug. Sellers-Holiday market.
Mauritius Crystal C & F Calcutta and Bombay ... 12 6
Months of Shipments ... Dec.—Value.
Tone—Quiet.
Java Sugar—Very quiet.—Unchanged.

	Bales.
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LIVERPOOL COTTON STATISTICS— Bales.

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Do. Forwarded	88,000
Do. Imports	157,000
Do. Stocks	1,240,000
Stock of Cotton in London	.....

GRIFFITHS' COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.

Day's Receipts at U. S. Ports	45,000 Bales
Exports to Great Britain	8,000 do.
Exports to Continent	5,000 do.
Spot Cotton at New York	13·10—10
Future Cotton at New York—Jan.	12·61—14
Future Cotton at New York—May.	12·56—18

Tone Market at closing Spot—Quiet—Futures—Quiet.

General Tone Market opened:—
Lower and declined owing to bears selling.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 27.

Spot Cotton at New Orleans	12 7-8
Future Cotton at New Orleans—Jan.	12·72—18
Future Cotton at New Orleans—May.	12·81—18.

Opening Tone of Market—Closed—Quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 27.

COTTON.

Cotton.—The Liverpool market opened for spot ... ...Steady and closed Firm
Do. The Liverpool market closed for futures ... ... Firm
Do. The Liverpool market closed for East Indian ... ... Firm

Total Day's Sales	4,000 bales.
Sales on spec and export	300 do
Total Sales of Surat	.....
Total Day's Imports	.....
Coconada Fair Red—Ldn. C. I. F.	5 9-16
Coconada Ginned—Ldn. C. I. F.	5 11-16
Egyptian F. G. Fair Brown	10
Good Bhownuggur	6 2-16d.
Good Bengal	5 10-16d.
F. G. Bengal	5 12-16d.
Fine Bengal	5 14-16d.
Good Madras Westerns Ldn	6 1-16d.
F. G. F. Tinnevelly L'pool C. I. F.	6 1-2d.
Geo. Mayalls Yarns	11 1-2
40's Mule Twist (Bannermills)	11 3-4
Weft 54 American	12 1-2
Weft 80 Egyptian	17 1-2
Weft 32's	14 1-8
Twist 36	10 3-4
Twist 42	11 7-8
Twist American 60	15 7-8
Twist Egyptian 60	17 5-8
Twist Egyptian 80	20 1-4
Tone of Fine Yarns	... do
Tone of Coarse Yarns	... do
Mid American at Liverpool	7·18+5

Cotton Dely Mid Uplands G. O. C. Liverpool—

Dec.-Jan.	6·91+3
Jan.-Feb.	6·86
Feb.-Mar.	6·85
Mar.-Apl.	6·84
Apl.-May	6·82
May-June	6·81
June-July	6·79
July-Aug.	6·76
Aug.-Sept.	6·75—1

MANCHESTER, Dec. 27.

Manchester Piece Goods Market—
Firm—There is fair enquiry for Fancies and prints.

LONDON, Dec. 27.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Linseed, 4 p. c. Refraction, Landed Terms (per 410 lbs)...Apl.-May—Ldn.—45 9 Sellers.
Do. Bombay exship (per 416lbs) ...Dec.—Jan.—Dunkirk—48 6 „
Do. La Plata...Jan.-Feb.—Hamburg—42 6 „
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Quiet
Do. Tendency of the Market... .....
Linseed Oil Spot Pipes... Dec.—£25 5 0 „
do ...Feb.-Mar.—£25-0-0 „
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Quiet
Poppyseed.Canal...Dec.-Jan.—Hamburg 68 „
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Quiet.
Rapeseed Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs 85 p.c. exship ...Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp 50 3 „
Do. Yellow Gusarat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. exship...Dec.-Jan.—Antwerp— .....
Do. Ferozepore usual bold ... Dec.Jan.—Antwerp— 44
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Quiet
Cotton seed. Bombay parcels ... Dec.Jan.—Hull—£6-14-3—
Do. Tone of Market at close ... Quiet.
Gingelly Seed. Bombay 15 p.c....Dec.-Jan.—London 60 „
Wheat. Choice White Karachi ... Dec.Jan.—London— 38 3 „
Do. F A Q Red Karachi (per 492 lbs.) —Dec.-Jan.—London 38 „
Do. Club No.2 ...Dec.-Jan.—London—38 3 „
Do. Choice white Delhi Dec.-Jan.—Lon—Nomi.
Do. Tone of Market at Close... ... Steady
Do. South Australian ... ...No sellers
Do. Rozario Santa Fe 62 lbs ... do
Do. Red Graded American per central Dec.— ... 7 5 1-2

LONDON, Dec. 27.

SUGAR.

German Beet-root 88 per cent F. O. B. Hamburg ...Dec.—9 6 —Sellers
German Beet-root. 88 per cent F. O. B. Hamburg ...Jan.—9 6 3-4 —Sellers
„ Closing Tone of Market Quiet.
German Granulated C. and F. India, (double Bags) Dec.-Jan.—12 5 1-4—Sellers
German Granulated C. and F. India, (double Bags) Jan.-Feb.—12 8 —Sellers
German Closing Tone Market ... ... Quiet
Austrian Crystals B. B. B. C. and F. India ...Dec.-Jan.—12 11 1-4 —Sellers
Austrian Crystals B. R. B. C. and F. India ...Jan.-Feb.—13 —Sellers
Do. closing Tone of Market.— Steady.
Mauritius Crystals...Dec— 12 7 1-2 —Sellers
„ Closing Tone of Market Quiet
E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. and F. India (double Bags) Dec.-Jan.—14 —Sellers
E. A. R. and Similar Crystals C. and F. India (double Bags Jan.-Feb.—14 1 1-2 Sellers
Do. Closing Tone of Market ... Steady

LONDON, Dec. 27.

JAVA SUGAR.

Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C. I. F. Calcutta ... Dec.—12 1 Value
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) C. I. F. Calcutta 1913 ...' June-Dec.—10 9
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi Dec.—12 2 1-2
Java Sugar 16-18 (Average 17) Bombay or Karachi 1913 June-Dec.—10 10 1-2
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta ... Dec.—13 5 1-2
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar) Calcutta 1913 ... 1913 June-Dec.—12
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar Bom. or Karachi Dec.—13 7
Java Sugar 26 T. M. O. (or Similar Bom. or Karachi 1913—June-Dec.—12 11-2
Closing Tone of Market ... Quiet
Special Feature ... ... Unchanged

LONDON, Dec. 27.

METALS.

	£ s. d.
Copper, Standard G M B ...	76 0 0
„ Best English Selected ...	81 10 0
„ Braziers	88 0 0
„ Tone of Market	Firm
Hard Spelter	24 0 0
Tin Block F O B Liverpool ...	231 0 0
Yellow Metal	7 3-8
Galvd. Corrugated Sheets, 24 C. G. O. B. l. p.o. F O B L'pool	12 10 0
Lead Pig English	18 12 6
Tone of Steel Market—	Steady.
Silver, Spot	28 7-8
„ 2 months hence ...	29 1-16
Special Feature—	...Quiet with little doing

LONDON, Dec. 27.

FINANCIAL.

Silver Spot	28 7-8
Silver 2 months	29 1-16
„ Closing Tone of Market—Quiet with little doing	
Rentes 3 per cent ...	89 1-4
Consols 2 1-2 per cent ...	75 1-8
Indian Stock 3 1-2 per cent ...	91 1-4
Sterling loan	91 1-4
Govt Securities, 3 per cent ...	78
Rupee Paper 3 1-2 per cent ...	63 3-4
Bar Gold per oz.	77·9
Opening Tone of Finance Market—Steady	
Closing „ „ —Steady	
Bank of England Rate of Discount	5 per cent
Exchange on India 30 Days Sight.	1 3 15-16
London at Paris Fcs	25·19
Berlin cheques on London Mks	20·41
New York (Demand Bills) dols ...	4 85 5-8
Interest day to day loans ...	4
„ 7 days Market loans ...	4 3-8
Discount Bank Bills 3 months sight.	4 3-4
„ „ „ 6 „ „	4 1-4
Fine Trade Bills 3 months ...	5 3-8
„ „ „ 6 „	5 3-8

LONDON, Dec. 27.

WOOLLEN GOODS.

General Tone of Market—Firm
Merinos—Firm and prices 1-4 to 1-2 higher.
English wools firm and prices higher.

RUBBER.

Fine Hard Para Rubber—Dec.-Jan.—4 7 1-2—Sellers
General Tone of Market ... ... Quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 28.

OPENING COTTON.

Days Estimated Sales ... 4,000
Tone of Market ... ... Quiet.

Futures.	Latest closing.	To-days opening.
Dec.-Jan.	6·91	6·85
Jan.-Feb.	6·86	6·80
Feb.-Mar.	6·85	6·79
Mar.-Apl.	6·84	6·78
Apl.-May	6·82	6·76
May-June	6·81	6·73
June-July	6·79	6·71
July-Aug.	6·76	6·68
Aug.-Sept.	6·65	6·57

10·5 a. m.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.

	Bales.
Day's Receipts at U S Ports	46,000
Exports to Great Britain ...	30,000
Exports to Continent ...	15,000
Spot Cotton at New York ...	13·10
Future „ „ Jan.	12·6 0— 1
„ „ „ May	12· 59+ 3

Tone Market at closing Spot—Steady.—Futures—Steady.

General Tone Market opened—Steady and early declined owing to longs unloading, later advanced on foreign buying.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 28.

Spot Cotton at New Orleans	12 7-8
Future „ „ Jan.	12·78+ 6
„ „ „ May	12·85+ 4

Opening Tone of Market.—Closed—Steady.

Total Stock at U S Ports...	13,05,000
Total Stock at U S Ports Interior Towns	830,000
Stock in London	.....
Weeks Exports to Japan... ...	6,000
Quantity in Sight from commencement of Season to-date ...	98,00,000

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 28.

COTTON.

The Liverpool market opened for spot.—Steady and closed quiet.
The Liverpool market closed for futures—Steady.
The Liverpool market closed for East Indian.—Steady.

Total Day's Sales	5,000 bales.
Sales on Spec and export ...	200 „
Total Sales of Surats	.....
Total Day's Imports	54,000 „
Coconada Fair Red Ldn C I F ...	5 9-16
Coconada Ginned Ldn C I F ...	5 11-16
Egy

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The steamer Benne 1899 tons, captain J. Younger, sailed on Saturday for Rangoon with a general cargo.

The City Line steamer City of Lahore, 4471 tons, Captain C. McFee, sailed on Sunday for Karachi with same bottom cargo.

The B. I. S. N. Co's. steamer Pentakota 2209 tons, Captain W. T. Stewart sailed on Sunday for Durban &c. with a general cargo and 20 cabin and 235 deck passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Co's steamer Mazagon 3279 tons, Captain R. A. Milne sailed on Sunday for Calcutta via Coast ports with a general cargo and 12 deck passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Shirala 3399 tons, Captain E. W. Peck sailed on Sunday for Calcutta via Coastports, with a general cargo.

The Japan Line steamer Lanuki Maru 2789 tons, Captain J. C. Richards sailed on Sunday for Kobe &c., with a general cargo and one deck passenger.

The P. and. O. Company's steamer Persia 4154 tons, Captain H. S. Bradshaw, sailed on Friday for England with mails a general cargo and passengers.

The B. and P. S. N. Co's steamer Alavi, 2,224 tons, Captain Y. S. Gray, arrived in Bombay harbour on Friday evening from Karachi with a general cargo.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Lhasa, 950 tons, Captain H. M. Cutbush, arrived in harbour on Saturday from Karachi with mails a general cargo and 37 cabin and 207 deck passengers.

The steamer Junghoved, 2,466 tons, Captain E. Horn sailed on Sunday for Middlesbrough with a cargo of manganese ore.

The Rubattino Line steamer Ischia 2,487 tons, Captain G. Boletis arrived in Bombay harbour on Saturday from Hongkong December 8, with a general cargo and 2 cabins and 8 deck passengers.

The steamer Anatoba 2,481 tons Captain C Nelson arrived in harbour on Sunday from London November 15 with a general cargo and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Companys steamer Dwarka. 759 tons, Captain W. Moxon arrived in harbour on Sunday from Busreh December 20 via Karachi with a general cargo and passengers.

VESSELS IN DOCK.—DEC. 28.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Tons.	Capts.	Dest.	Date.	Agents.
A Ferngarth	2699	Smith		4-1-13	S Semidt & Co
B Rinaldo	2792	Chiltow	Hull	4-1-13	J Finlay & Co
C&R Steenbergen	2455	Yonge	Antwerp	3-1-13	T Morrison & Co
F City of Lahore	4471	McFee	Karachi	29-12	K Nixon & Co
H Kramberg	2209	Hoessel	Antwerp	&c.	W & A Graham & Co
K Sanki Maru	3780	Richards	Kobe	&c.	28-12 N Y Kaisha
M Glenaden	3018	Graham			T M & Co
N Moltkefels	3054	Schansider	Hamburg		3-1-13 W & A Graham & Co
O Jungshoved	2466	Horn	Antwerp		29-12 T M & Co
Q Dalhanna	2999	Folhan	Ko e etc		T M C

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Sutton Hall	2870	Jenkins	L'Pool	31-12	K N & Co
2 Circassia	4327	Osborne	Liverpool	6-1-13	W & A Graham & Co
3 Ismaila	3381	Downing			M M & Co
4 Beethoven	2360	Mitchell	Dunkirk	28-12	W & A G & Co
5 Valdura	3495	Corrance	Baltimore	21-12	Smidt & Co
6 Muristan	7737	Pritchard	Aberdeen	28-12	M M & Co
7 Marq Bacqu ham	2752	Franovich			A L S N Co
8 Habsburg	2395	Selenich	Trieste	1-1-13	A L S N Co
9 Assaye	4359	Cockman	Shanghai	31-12	P & O Co
10&11 Davanha	4785	Hickey	Shanghai	29-1-13	P & O Co
15 Markgraf	2325	Bremen			A Strandes & Co
16 Baroda	1999	Ranney	Busreh	9-1-13	M M & Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From
27	Alavi	Gray	Karachi, Dec 25
28	Lhasa	Cutbush	Karachi, Dec 28
	Ischia	Baleito	Hongsong, Dec 8
29	Anatoba	Nelson	London, Nov 15
	Dwarka	Moxon	Busreh, Dec 20

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
28	Muristan	Pritchaid	Aberdeen
	Yarra	Cazal	Noumea, &c
	Beethoven	Mitchel	Dunkirk
	Beme	Younger	Sangoon
	Persia	Bradshaw	London
29	Jugshoved	Horn	Middlesbrough
	Sanki Maru	Richards	Kobe, &c
	Shirala	Peck	Calcutta, &c
	Mazagon	Milne	Calcutta
	Pentakota	Stuvart	Durban
	City of Lahore	McFee	Karachi

The following vessels began to load on Saturday :—

Steamer Alvi, for Jedah.
" Persia, for London.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Clan Line s s Clan Maclachlan left Liverpool on the evening of the 24th inst. The same Company ss Clan Macfadyen arrived in London on the morning of the 28th Dec. The same Company s s Clan Matheson arrived in London on the morning of the 28th December.

The B I S N Co.'s s s Chyebassa left Port Said on the evening of the 27th inst. The same Company's Chyebassa left Suez on the afternoon of the 28th December.

The Anchor Line s s Massilia Homeward bound arrived at Marseilles on the 26th instant.

The N val Line s s Umtali arrived at Weymouth from Bombay on the morning of the 25th instant.

DAILY EXPORTS—DEC. 28.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Circassia s—273 bales wool, M Ramjidas, 100 bales cotton Sy, K Visram and Co; 210 cwts gum S Cooverjee and Co; 150 bales hemp, S Ram rukdas 8 tons soap stock, the Indian C Oil Co.

FOR HULL.

Muristan s—2,000 cwts cottonseed, Volkart Bros.
Rinaldo s—350 bales hemp, S Ramrukdas, 7,562 cwts cottonseed, A Khimjie.

FOR ANTWERP.

Steinbergen s—50 bales cotton waste, T Damjee.

FOR HAMBURG.

Molkefels s—500 cwts mowraseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 1,000 cwts poppyseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 51 cwts gum, P Jethabhoy.

FOR GENOA.

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FOR TRIESTE.

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FOR PORT SAID.

Marq Bacquehem s—1,340 cwts wheatflour Caults and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

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FOR SHANGHAI.

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FOR KOBE.

Dalhanna s—50 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.
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UNITED ITALY.

After one of the most heroic struggles known in history, the people of Italy won their freedom and united together under the House of Savoy, a little more than fifty years ago. The jubilee of this great event was celebrated only last year, and since then Italy has gone on from one triumph to another until now, at the end of 1912, her reputation stands higher, her prospects are brighter, and her future more secure than even a year ago. This has in truth been Italy's year. A successful campaign in Tripoli, skilfully organised and bravely and humanely conducted, has left her with a powerful army, an expanding revenue, and an enhanced prestige that fully qualify her for a place among the Great Powers of Europe. Such a splendid achievement could only have been accomplished by sacrifice and devotion; and even if now the fabric of their efforts were to fall to the ground, the story of the men who struggled against almost overwhelming odds to restore and to raise the fortunes of their country, would be full of dramatic interest. At this special time when Italy keeps her army at war strength, and Austria is mobilizing her forces, the story possesses not merely historical but political importance; and the appearance of a good book on the subject in English must fill a literary want of the season. In spite of some grave faults of style, "United Italy," by Mr. F. M. Underwood, is a good book. It is the work of an Englishman who has lived for some years in Italy, and who writes with full knowledge of the political situation and the problems that still beset Italian statesmen. Beginning with short but sympathetic references to the founders of modern Italy, the author brings the story down to the autumn of this year, when the Turks had made overtures for peace. The sympathies of the English people do not now require enlistment on behalf of Italy; for alone among the Great Powers England encouraged Italy to be free, and the Italian patriots had no stauncher or better friends than they found among the leading Englishmen of their day. But if anything were needed to revive the traditional friendship, a resume of the lives of Cavour and Garibaldi would be all that was necessary. Even now no freeborn man can read without a thrill of Italy's best loved hero, Guiseppe Garibaldi, who died in 1882, and who previous to his death "had been living in complete retirement in his island home of Caprera, where he landed after having conquered a kingdom, carrying as his sole riches a bag of haricot beans."

With such examples to inspire them, it is little wonder that the Italians made a brave effort for freedom; but even now after the lapse of fifty years, it is difficult to understand how they managed to overcome an alliance consisting of a great military empire and the most powerful religious organization that the world has ever seen. Long after the new kingdom was established at Turin, and after the French troops had been withdrawn from Rome, the fear of foreign intervention on behalf of the Papacy hampered the Italian Government; and the ability with which the successive Cabinets handled the thorny questions of their foreign policy and their relations with the Vatican was not less than consummate. The plight of United Italy was at first precarious. Austria was hostile; France was hostile; and Germany was indifferent. Bismarck simply played with Italy, as a cat does with a mouse, until he too realized that the spirit of Italy was anything but mouselike and that he could easily go-too far. Only England at first was friendly, and England was powerless to help on land. Necessity makes strange bedfellows; and the exigencies of her very existence forced Italy to seek the political friendship of a power between whom and herself there was no feeling but hatred and dislike. The story of the Triple Alliance is excellently told by Mr. Underwood. The one thing that Italy as well as Germany required was rest. Time to develop and to consolidate her resources could only be gained by security against attack; and that in turn could only be attained by Germany's powerful aid. The aid was given contemptuously to begin with, but less grudgingly afterwards; and so was formed the famous Triplice, which has maintained the balance of power on the continent of Europe for a whole generation, and which is now in vigorous force. One result of the Alliance has been to draw Italy and Austria close than once seemed possible. When the suggestion of trouble in the Balkans arose, a more intimate exchange of views about Montenegro and Albania led to the formation of an agreement between the two Adriatic powers; and Italy is in consequence now able to act a gracious part in mediating between her big ally and the small Balkan kingdoms with whom she has always sympathised.

A still better section of the book consists of the chapters which describe the connection between Church and State in Itay. "A Free Church in a Free State" was one of Cavour's favourite maxims; and it is a tribute to his political genius that the civilized nations are slowly realizing his ideal. Of all countries in Europe, however, Italy seemed the least likely to respond to his teaching. Dissent of any kind was practically unknown; and the Catholic Church was established in the hearts of the Italian people, not only by attachment to its forms and ceremonies, but by respect for the Papacy itself. But the intelligence of the Italian people has always distinguished between the Church as a religious institution and as a political organization; and the appeals of the Vatican for the restoration of its ancient sovereignty have fallen on ears growing ever more deaf. When the French vacated Rome in 1871, it was left to the citizens of the Eternal City themselves to choose between Pope and King, and with one voice they chose the King. Since then Rome has been the capital of Italy; and both capital and kingdom have prospered. The characters of the Popes of our days, and the curious incidents resulting from the presence of two monarchs and two courts in one city, are graphically described. No Catholic prince may visit the King of Italy in his capital; and if a Protestant potentate, like the German Emperor, wishes to see the Pope, he has to proceed to the Vatican from the Quirinal by a circuitous route, and to call at two embassies on the way. For many years, until finally President Loubet visited the King and ignored the Pope, the idea of French support of the Papal claims regulated both French and Italian policy; but the rupture between the Republic and the Church, and the consequent growth of a better feeling between France and Italy, who are meant by nature to be friends, has removed all fear of intervention from that quarter. The world, even the Catholic world, now recognizes that the question is one for the Italians themselves to decide. The nations are less willing every year to interfere in each other's internal affairs; and while the Italians continue to govern themselves as well as they have done since they moved their capital to Rome, the question of the Temporal Power will never be revived. The only unpleasant chapter in the book is that which deals with Colonial expansion. Ambition led the young nation into disaster; and the first hopes of founding a colonial empire were frustrated chiefly through lack of experience. At first it seemed as if the consequences of their ill-fated Abyssinian expedition would be serious. The country was labouring under heavy taxation, and reproaches were levelled at the Italian Government for pursuing a policy that ended in nothing but losses abroad and increased burdens at home. But the people endured, not stolidly but willingly; the statesmen were strong enough to profit by the lessons of these early years; and now the recollection of misfortuue has been wiped out. The wisdom of the Italian policy has been abundantly proved. The whole cost of the Turkish war has been paid out of revenue and savings, and not a lire has been added to the national debt. The war has been popular. It has stirred the imagination and quickened the unifying forces in Italian life, so that to-day there are no longer Lombards, Piedmontese and Neapolitans, but simply Italians united under one flag and one king.

A still greater proof of the benefit that Italy has derived from union, is seen in the library and artistic activity which began almost immediately after the attainment of independence. One of the most difficult problems with which Italy has had to deal has been the mixed descent of its people, and the mingling of divergent traits in their character. For centuries Italy was the meeting ground of the great nations of the Middle Ages, and Arabs, and Franks, Normans and Greeks, have all left the impress of their race upon the natives of the Peninsula. Notions of conspiracy and assassination have come naturally to people born of such stock. Great criminal organisations like the Mafia in Sicily and the Camorra in Naples, which were a legacy from disturbed times and disunited provinces, survived until recently; and it was only this year that the Camorra was at last broken up. But in this work also the inherent good sense and the strong political instinct of the Italian people have prevailed, and law and order are more respected to-day in Italy than at any time since the days of the Roman empire. If the variety of inherited characteristics, however, has raised a political problem, it has also given a promise of rich artistic achievement in the better conditions into which Italy is advaneing. The harvest has already begun. Both in literature and in science, Italy begins to take again the place which she filled in Europe at the close of the Middle Ages. The memory of a still greater past now appeals to her; and, since Rome became the capital, her poets and sculptors look back beyond the mediæval town to the great city which once ruled the world from its seven hills, and seek to catch the spirit of the Augustan age. The record of their present output is clearly and well described in "United Italy," whose author seems to be on pure ground in estimating this aspect of modern Italian life. One enterprise alone is sufficient to mark the effect of the new spirit in Italy and Rome. Under the Popes the site of the Forum beneath which were buried the grandest remains of Roman civilization, was known as the Field of the Cows, where cattle browsed peacefully over the hidden ruins. It was the modern Government, the Government of United Italy that opened up the site and revealed again to a delighted world the architectural splendours of ancient Rome at its best. The incident is suggestive. Italy is only beginning her career; and, with every step onward in her progress, she will bring to us some of the grandeur and spirit of Rome.

Political and other Crime in Bengal.

A belated report on crime in Eastern Bengal and Assam, for the year 1911, describes a by no means satisfactory state of things, although it is true that encouraging symptoms are to be observed in some respects. For instance, although there was an increase of crime connected with the unrest—from six cases in 1910 to thirteen—political crime was not regarded as being on the increase in the province generally. For some time it had been declining, the rebound during 1911 being due to special agitation in the Dacca and Mymensingh districts. Boycott had disappeared entirely, while it must also be remembered that this report deals with a period prior to the visit of Their Majesties, which exercised such a pacificatory effect on the people. There is thus no need for uneasiness regarding political crime, nothing having occurred since this report to falsify its indications, but a serious feature is the large number of organised dacoities, in only a small proportion of which were the culprits detected. In almost all cases it is reported the *modus operandi* adopted was identical. The dacoits arrived suddenly, generally in boats; they invariably wore cloth masks over the whole head falling to the shoulders, with holes cut for eyes, nose and mouth; they were armed and equipped with instruments for breaking open safes and chests, and were perfectly organised and acted immediately on the word of command or the call of bugle or whistle. They used their weapons to terrorise the people of the neighbourhood and departed with their loot in the boats in which they had come. In cases where disguise is employed, it is stated that the ordinary law appears to be impotent. Accomplice evidence and confessions are rarely admissible, and it seems almost impossible to catch a dacoit, unless the village people take him and make him confess before the police arrive. Here is an urgent case for amendment of the law.

Unionists and Tariff Reform.

The telegrams, which we publish to-day, are a striking illustration of the inefficiency of the leadership of the Unionist party. On a question, which, only a few months ago, we were assured was the foremost plank in the Conservative platform, we find the party in division, and the principal party organs offering as many different kinds of advice as there are journals. Reuter quotes three striking gradations of opinion. The "Morning Post" plumps solid for food taxes, the "Daily Telegraph" makes another appeal for a Referendum, while the "Daily Graphic" will have none of Tariff Reform for the present. It must be put off, it says, and be got out of the way before the next election. This may be gratifying evidence of the growing independence of the London Press, but it must be anything but consoling to anyone, who is anxious to see the Party going forward with confidence, and a strong fighting programme, to the next election. In the meantime the leader of the Party has endeavoured to give a lead to his followers on this vital question by a series of speeches, which apparently have only aroused either dissatisfaction or confusion. Mr. Chamberlain seeks to show that their meaning is perfectly plain, and that there is no discrepancy between them. In doing so, he emphasises the necessity for a colonial conference, and we think helps to make this point clearer. The Government seeks power to negotiate a reciprocal preference within well-defined limits, which will previously be submitted to the people, and as the Home Government has no power to fix colonial duties, a conference will be necessary for the arrangement of details. This is a step which would seem to be absolutely essential to any workable system of preference, but before any such system can come into being, it will be necessary for the Tariff Reform party to close its ranks, and to settle upon a policy on which it can show a united front to its opponents. We do not believe that any policy, which does not do justice to India will have this effect.

The statement that the members of the Public Services Commission were not formally met in Bombay is incorrect. H. E. the Governor sent one of his staff on board the "Macedonia" to meet and bring off the members of the Commission. They arrived at the Apollo Bunder in the launch "Diamond" and were then taken up to Government House and to the Houses of the Members of Council, where they stayed till they left Bombay by the Madras mail.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. "Poona" arrived at Suez from Colombo on the morning of the 26th instant.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. "Moldavia" arrived in London on the morning of the 28th December.

Sir Louis Dane gave a dinner to the members of the Punjab Commission, and their wives, at Government House last Saturday night.

Mr. Dinshah Dadabhai Dordi has published for free circulation in the mofussil a book of temporary and instantaneous remedies for the bites of poisonous animals, etc.

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NEW RULER OF BAVARIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Dec. 14.

The renewal of the Triple Alliance for a period of years dating from June 8, 1914, caused no surprise in Berlin as ever since the meetings of Count Berchtold, the Austro-Hungarian Minister for Foreign Affairs, and the Marquis di San Giuliano, Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs, at Pisa, and the conference at Berlin of the Marquis di San Giuliano with Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Imperial Chancellor, and Herr von Kiderlen-Waechter, German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, it has been understood that its renewal was absolutely assured. In the ordinary course, notice would have to be given one year before the duration of the treaty expired, which is on June 8, 1913 so that a pronouncement at the present moment is generally considered here to have for its aim the demonstrating of the firmness of purpose of the Triple Alliance on the eve of an international exchange of views. At the same time one notices a distinct tendency to discredit the idea that its intimation could be interpreted as in any way an aggressive move. It is pointed out in support of this contention that such a purpose could have been infinitely better served had the intimation been circulated a fortnight earlier. Beyond this, little comment is ventured upon to-day. Such as appears is on much the same lines as the official note in the "Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," which is developed at greater length in the semi-official "Lokalanzeiger." The "Lokalanzeiger" says that the Triple Alliance has given the best guarantees for the maintenance of peace for more than thirty years. The "Norddeutsche," whilst observing that the announcement at the present juncture is a strong indication that the Powers are satisfied of its efficacy, says that its solidity has been a decisive element for peace. These remarks are echoed by even such a Chauvinistic organ as the "Taglione Rundschau." A Radical journal recalls Prince Bulow's remark that the Triple Alliance is not a grabbing concern, but an insurance company, and adds that it may be considered as playing the same role to-day and for the future. The fact that there was some suggestion this summer of an extension of the scope of the treaty in order to cover the Mediterranean question is now considered to be a minor point, and there are no signs of disappointment that such an alteration has not been made. The general view is that such an extension is in nowise especially desirable.

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT IN ROME.

An official announcement of the renewal of the Triple Alliance, without modifications, was made in Rome. There was made public at the same time a Ministerial Note which makes reference to the Triplice and its renewal in the following terms :—"It guarantees all our interests and our safety, while, by its nature, a defensive alliance is a guarantee of peace. Italy is aware that nobody intend to attack her, but it is always a great element of safety to know that Italy would not stand alone in defending the integrity of the territories covered by her flag. The Triplice thus stood in no need of modification. It will continue to pursue purposes of a pacific and defensive nature, which not only do not preclude but actually imply good and cordial relations with the Powers foreign to the Alliance."

EUROPE THE FINAL ARBITER.

The prospect of the meeting of Ambassadors as an integral part of the plan for securing the co-operation of the Great Powers in a settlement of the Balkan's question appears to be assured. Up to the present no distinctly official proposition seems to have been made, but after the lively exchange of views during the last fortnight, there is no longer much doubt that as soon as it has been put forward it will be universally subscribed to. So far as can be learned, this meeting will not have to take decisions, but will merely be charged with the duty of examining the various issues. Otherwise it could not have been held, since several Powers have given it to be understood that they would not take part if certain questions were to be mooted and settled, possibly in a sense contrary to their interests. Consequently the Ambassadors will settle nothing. None the less, their duties will be responsible ones, and the results of the meeting will probably go far towards influencing the ulterior decisions. They will have to draw up as complete a list as possible of the points on which Europe will have to be consulted—many of these being previously or simultaneously discussed by the Balkan delegates. But in one way or another it seems to be taken for granted that whatever the Balkan nations agree amongst themselves Europe will finally have to ratify or revise, either in conference or by other methods. It is probably the general scheme, if not the clauses of this revision, that the Ambassadorial meeting will have to prepare. The suggestion for holding the meeting in Paris instead of London, no longer appears to find favour, and it is believed that it will assemble in London, under the presidency of Sir Edward Grey, France being represented by M. Cambon. Nevertheless, it is thought possible that some questions—more especially financial ones—may be handled separately in Paris. As this meeting of the Ambassadors will centralise the views of the Great Powers it is thought expedient that it should be held as soon as possible, as it would then certainly exercise some degree of influence on the peace negotiations in an unofficial manner.

BALKAN DELEGATES IN PARIS.

M. Novakovics, the principal Servian peace delegate, arrived in Paris on Wednesday morning, and was received at the station by M. Vesnics, the Servian Minister who will accompany him to London. The Montenegrin plenipotentiaries also arrived, and, together with M. Novakovics, were received by M. Poincare, the Premier. M. Vesnics entertained the Montenegrin delegates and M. Novakovics at luncheon, and all were invited to luncheon next day by M. Poincare, who also expects M. Venizelos, the Greek Premier, and posibly M. Daneff, the Bulgarian delegate, in which case all the Allies will be represented. There is a report, however, that M. Daneff will first visit Berlin, and the Bulgarian Legation is in ignorance of his exact plans. After seeing M. Poincare, M. Novakovics was interviewed by the "Temps," when he said, among other statements, that no concrete basis for peace negotiations had as yet been agreed upon between the Allies. He proceeded:—"Every delegate has brought his own programme, and up to the present the exchange of views has borne rather upon matters of procedure than upon essentials. But the entente established for the military operations will necessarily imply an entente for reaping its fruits." M. Novakovics insisted strongly on the Servian claim to an Adriatic port, which he said was considered "not as a conquest, but as the recovery of what belonged to us from the tenth to the fifteenth century, and the acquisition of a maritime outlet is indispensable to the life and future of Servia." All the delegates left for London at four o'clock on Thursday, after lunching with M. Poincare.

ITALY, AUSTRIA AND ALBANIA.

Much interest was created in Vienna, by the holding of a Ministerial Council at Schonbrunn under the presidency of the Emperor Francis Joseph, in which Count Berchtold (the Austro-Hungarian Minister for Foreign Affairs), Dr. Bilinski (Common Minister of Finance), Count Sturgkh (the Austrian Premier), General von Georgi (the Austrian Minister of National Defence), and Herr von Zaleski (the Austrian Minister of Finance), took part. According to some accounts the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, the Heir-Presumptive, was also present, but this, which would be an unprecedented event, is not confirmed. Rumours were immediately current, that important decisions regarding Servia and the international situation were imminent, and therefore a semi-official announcement was promptly issued to the effect that the reception of so many Ministers was a matter of chance and not a cause for uneasiness. It is now stated that owing to the heavy demands on the Emperor's strength caused by the crisis a new procedure has been adopted. Instead of receiving separately, each Minister who comes to report, his Majesty will now give collective audiences, which will facilitate the work both of the Emperor and of the Ministers. It is asserted here that Austria and Italy have agreed to propose at the Ambassadors' Conference that Albania should be declared a neutral State, and that her independence be guaranteed by all the Great Powers, and that no objection has been raised to this plan, of which all the European Cabinets have now been confidentially informed. It is believed here this arrangement will facilitate the maintenance of good relations in the future between Austria and Servia, as the latter country will not be so likely to intrigue in Albania as it would if that State were only under the protection of Austria and Italy.

NEW RULER OF BAVARIA.

Prince Luitpold, Regent of Bavaria, died on Thursday morning. At ten o'clock the previous evening, owing to the appearance of inflammatory patches on the lung, symptoms of fever set in and the action of the heart became irregular. Princess Therese, his daughter, and Dr. Kastner, the Regent's body physician, were with his Royal Highness during the night. At half-past four next morning acute pulmonary œdema set in, and at about ten minutes to five, the Regent passed peacefully away owing to failure of the heart. The body has been embalmed. The heart has been removed and embalmed separately and it will be buried separately in the famous shrine at Allotting. When the Reichstag met on Thursday morning the President paid a warm tribute to the memory of the late Prince Regent of Bavaria. He said that the loyal zeal and the increasing diligence with which Prince Luitpold in his old age had directed the government of his country would never be forgotten by the people of Bavaria and the House. The Prince Regent, the President mentioned, was with the German Headquarters in the Franco-Russian war, and was present at the memorable proclamation of the German Emperor at Versailles. The Munich newspapers are asking that Prince Ludwig, the new Regent, should be proclaimed King of Bavaria, as King Otto, they state will never be cured of his insanity. The feeling in Bavaria is that the time has now come to give the kingdom an actual King.

The late Prince Luitpold was a soldier, and he rose to be Field-Marshal-General and Inspector-General of the Bavarian army. He took part in the campaign of 1866, and was at the front during the war, with France, being present at Gravelotte and Sedan. His patronage of the arts, although it may have passed unnoticed after the doings of Ludwig, was yet considerable, and when in Munich it was his frequent custom to pay an early morning visit to an art gallery or to the studio of some artist. His simple appearance when walking in the streets at times led to amusing mistakes, and it is related that an officer once saw with horror that a young recruit had passed the Regent without saluting. The lad, noticing his superior's frantic signal, ran after the Prince, tapped him on the shoulder, and cried; "Stop, old man; the captain wants a word with you." The late Prince's habits were all extremely quiet, and his chief amusement was found in outdoor sports, at which he was extremely energetic, even at an advanced age. When over eighty he would be up at dawn to shoot blackcock, and he still pursued the stag through the mountain snows and bathed in the Alpine lakes, besides taking regular walking and riding exercise. His medical attendant stated a few years ago that the Regent had only once been in bad health, and that his single illness was caused by shock at the news of the murder of the Empress of Austria.

GERMAN ANGLOPHOBIA.

Ex-Captain Persius, the naval correspondent of the "Berliner Tageblatt," calls on the Navy League authorities to bridle the Anglophobia of the league lecturers. From a report in the "Essener Zeitung" of a lecture given by ex-Naval Captain von Meerscheidt Hullesem at Essen he quotes passages in which the lecturer called Great Britain the "perpetual disturber of peace," and said that the British bulldog must be muzzled to keep it from barking too insolently. Captain Persius adds :—"It would appear to be the especial duty of the presiding officers of the league who quite recently repudiated the anti-British feeling, to see that such indiscretions are avoided. The German people want peace, and is thus in accord with its ruler, and above all desires peace with the British people, whom we highly esteem." Captain Persius finds an explanation of the absence of any protest in the fact that the scene of the lecture was Essen, the headquarters of the armour plate industry.

LOHANA CONFERENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RAJKOT, Dec. 28.

The second Lohana Conference met at Rajkot to-day. Delegates from Bombay, Karachi, Cutch, Jodia, Jamnagar, Junagadh, Porbander, Vankaner, etc., were present to the number of about one thousand. There were nearly five thousand visitors. Mr. Gordhandas Ladhabai opened the proceedings by welcoming delegates and visitors on behalf of the Lohana community of Rajkot and pressed the necessity of various social reforms. In conclusion, he urged the formation of a permanent constitution for the Conference.

Mr. Barjiwan Bhawan Kotak, Dewan of Rajkot, proposed Mr. Khimji Dayal as president. The proposal having been supported and welcomed by prolonged cheers, Mr. Khimji delivered his presidential speech. After the president's speech, Mr. Morarji Anandji Tannanaik, Dewan of Bhavnagar, proposed a resolution of loyalty to the British raj and devotion to his Majesty's person, which was carried unanimously, and communicated through the proper channel.

The Conference unanimously passed a second resolution recording the indignation of the community at the Delhi outrage, and their sympathy with Lord and Lady Hardinge.

The third resolution expressed the thankfulness of the community to the Thakor Saheb of Rajkot.

THE "NARRUNG" SAFE.

TRILLING ADVENTURES ON FLOODED SHIP.

Anirable Behaviour of the Men on Board.

MRE SHIPPING CASUALTIES IN THE GALE.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Dec. 28.

T accounts of passengers on board the "Narng" recall the most thrilling passages of Clar Russell's romances. The ship was buffed by terrific waves on Christmas night. A mutainous sea struck her on the morning of Eing Day, swamping the whole ship, wreing the tackle, and flooding all the passenger ccommodation. Most of the passengers wer prostrated by sea-sickness, but thesen acted splendidly. Attired only in pyjas they helped to bail out the cabins, whe the women and children in night attire werknee-deep in water, and were silently weeng and waiting for the worst. There was panic. The crew behaved splendidly, theokers working waist-deep in water. The option of turning the ship in order to run befa the gale, on which salvation or disaster depded, was executed with the utmost difficul.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Je P. and O. Co.'s s.s. "Narrung" arrived at Gravesend, with a heavy list to starboard. He bulwarks and decks were much damaged, anche ship bore every sign of having encottered terrible seas.

rrangements are being made to accommate the passengers at Gravesend and in Lcion.

he cargo in the fore hold is reported to be daaged. The captain left the bridge to-day fothe first time since Thursday morning.

he High Commissioner for Australia was anng the first to go on board.

THE "MOLDAVIA."

LONDON, Dec. 27.

Leports of shipping casualties continue to cae to hand, and numbers of deaths have bn caused by wreeks and by washing overbrd.

The "Narrung" is expected in the Thames tmorrow morning.

The "Moldavia" arrived at Plymouth tody. She knew nothing of the mishap to th "Natrung," as the storm had disabled her on wireless installation.

A lascar was washed overboard from the 'Ioldavia" this morning.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer "Narrung" sent a weless message this morning, that her passenges were well and cheerful. The ship was erely damaged, and one seaman was injureds.

LATER.

The Danish steamer "Volmer" was wrecke in a gale on Thursday. Fifteen of crew wre drowned. The captain and one other were picked up in a boat fifty miles southwst of the Lizard, and landed at Newlyn. The crew took to the boats, one of which was swamped, nine being drowned. Six men were washed out of the captain's boat.

FIRE ON A STEAMER.

Heavy Damage on the Austrian Liner "Cleopatra."

TRIESTE, Dec. 29.

A fire, which broke out in the forehold of the Austrian Lloyd steamer "Cleopatra" destroyed forty wagon-loads of sugar and other goods, including many carpets. The damage is considerable.

LANCASHIRE SPINNERS.

Oldham Withraws from the Brooklands Agreement.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

At the quarterly meeting of the representatives of the Operative Cotton Spinners' Amalgamation at Manchester, it was decided, by a large majority, on the motion of Oldham province, to withdraw from the Brooklands agreement. The Operatives contend that it acts against a prompt settlement of their trade grievances, particularly in relation to bad spinning. It is expected that there will be a conference with employers, and that a crisis will not arise.

INDIAN GOLD CURRENCY.

Banking Authority Argues Against it.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The banking authority, Mr. Reginald Murray, in an article in the January number of the "Bankers' Magazine," contests the allegation that a gold currency is requisite or is desired in India. The importations of sovereigns in late years, he says, are indicative, not of a greater demand by the people, but of a larger surplus of exports of merchandise. Much of it is absorbed by the Punjab, probably for the conversion of hoards from silver into gold. Expediency and economy commend the action of the Secretary of State in selling Council Bills in excess of his own requirements otherwise there would have been larger imports of sovereigns, which would have been reshipped to London to buy silver for payment to the producers of crops, thus insurring double freight without benefit to anyone. The extension of the note, rather than the gold currency, Mr. Murray says, is desirable. He favours investing a portion of the Currency Reserve in sterling securities, and says that the Government of India should set an example to a custom-wedded country, not of a miserly hoarding of cash, but of a liberal, one might almost say national, credit. Incidentally, Mr. Murray points out that cheap money in London is also beneficial to Indian trade.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The South African Rugby team has beaten Gloucester by 11 points to nil at Bristol.

TURKEY'S PEACE PROPOSALS.

ALLIES' AMAZEMENT AT HER TERMS.

Ottoman Delays Give Rise to Suspicion.

MACEDONIAN QUESTION FOR LATER DISCUSSION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 27.

The delegates of the Allies express amazement at the Turkish counter-proposals as published, and emphatically declare that they could not be seriously discussed at the Conference.

Meanwhile the Powers are earnestly counselling moderation in Constantinople. The Allies declare that they will never agree to Adrianople remaining Turkish, and any serious proposal to that effect would wreck the Conference.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Reuter understands that the Turkish counter-proposals will be submitted to-day to the Peace Conference. Both parties are presenting their maximum demands with a view to mutual concessions. A compromise is therefore likely.

Reshid Pasha presides to-day, and is thus advantageously placed for defending Turkish claims. A lively debate is certain.

LATER.

The Peace Conference met at eleven o'clock to-day, and adjourned at 12-25 until four o'clock on Monday afternoon. Reshid Pasha presided. He submitted the Turkish counter-proposals, which proved to be unacceptable, whereupon the Turkish delegates declared that they must communicate again with Constantinople.

DETAILS OF TURKISH TERMS.

LATER.

At the Conference to-day, the Turkish counter-proposals were, firstly, that the vilayet of Adrianople should remain Turkish; secondly, that Macedonia should be converted into a principality with Salonika as its capital, under the sovereignty of the Sultan and under the rule of a Protestant prince from a neutral State, chosen by the Allies and nominated by the Sultan; thirdly, that Albania should be made autonomous under the sovereignty of the Sultan and under a Prince Imperial of the Imperial Ottoman family, to be chosen for five years with the possibility of renewal; fourthly, that the Ægean Islands should remain Turkish; fifthly, that Crete was not a matter for the Conference, but between Turkey and the Great Powers.

A general discussion took place at the Conference on the Ottoman proposals. The Allies emphasised the point that the Turks did not recognise the facts of the situation, particularly in regard to Macedonia. They requested fresh Turkish proposals, which would take into consideration the terms of the Allies.

The Turkish delegates refused to give a definite answer as to whether to-day's proposals were their last word.

The Allies pointed out that the discussion of Macedonian reforms was quite unacceptable at this stage.

DOUBTS OF SINCERITY.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Reuter learns that the representatives of the Balkan Allies at the Conference are of opinion that the proceedings at yesterday's Conference have weakened the original belief in Turkey's sincerity. It is now felt that Turkey is seeking to gain time in the hope of something turning up to her advantage. Some of the delegates are convinced that the time has come for the Powers to speak plainly and put an end to Turkey's tergiversations. There are hints of a Balkan ultimatum if the Turks prove uncompromising.

THE RULER FOR ALBANIA.

LONDON, Dec. 29.

Albanian circles disapprove of the Turkish idea of an Ottoman prince for Albania. They want a European Prince, with European advisers.

RANGOON, Dec. 29.

A telegram has been received in Rangoon from the Hon. Mr. Sayed Ameer Ali, under date Sidmouth, 26th December, asking help for Turkey. It states that there are ten thousand Moslem refugees at Monastir, whose sole means of subsistence is from local charities. Suffering is also reported from Asia Minor.

U. S. LABOUR OUTRAGES.

Thirty-eight Union Officers Found Guilty.

INDIANOPOLIS, Dec. 28.

Thirty-eight Labour Union officers, charged with being concerned in the dynamite conspiracy, have been found guilty. They include Ryan, the president of the Iron Workers' Union. One hundred explosions, extending from Boston to Los Angeles, were investigated by the jury.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The death is announced of Admiral Sir William Dowell.

Admiral Sir William Montagu Dowell, G.C.B., J. P., D. L., was born in 1825, the son of a clergyman. He entered the Royal Navy in 1839, "passing" on board H. M. S. "Royal Adelaide" on which he hoisted his flag as Commander-in-Chief at Devonport fifty years later. He saw a considerable amount of active service, being present at Amoy and Canton in the China War of 1841-42, for which he received the medal with clasp. He served as Lieutenant in the Naval Brigade at Monte Video in 1846-47, and as Commander in the Crimean War, with the Naval Brigade before Sebastopol. For that campaign he was created Chevalier of the Legion of Honour, being promoted to an Officer of the same order in 1864. His other war services were (as Captain) at the capture of Canton in 1857-58; in the war in Japan, at the taking of Simonsaki, in 1864, where he was specially mentioned and made C.B.; the Egyptian campaign of 1882, in connection with which he received the thanks of Parliament. He was the recipient also of the 5th class of the Medjidie for the Crimean War, and the 2nd class Osmanie in Egypt. Among the important posts held by him were Commodore of the West Coast station and Cape, 1867-71; Second-in-Command, Channel Squadron, 1877-78; Senior officer, Coast of Ireland, 1878-80; Commander-in-Chief on the China Station, 1884-85 and the same at Devonport, 1888-90. He was also A.-D.-C. to the Queen from 1870 to 1875. He married a daughter of Capt. John Pyke, R.N.

"Incandescent Gas is one of the healthiest and most economical systems of lighting"—The LANCET (the leading Medical Journal in the United Kingdom).

TARIFF REFORM POLICY.

Opinions of the Empire's Press.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S LETTER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 28.

After the Christmas lull, the Conservative papers have re-opened the discussion on Mr. Bonar Law's tariff policy. There is no sign of a disappearance of differences of opinion.

The *Morning Post* is emphatic in declaring that food taxes must not be dropped, as they are vital to Imperial preference.

The *Daily Graphic*, however, says that Tariff Reform must be got out of the way for the next election. It must wait.

The *Daily Telegraph* urges Mr. Bonar Law and his colleagues to reconsider their methods in the direction of appealing to the country for a ratification of the Tariff Bill, after it has been introduced. The paper prints long extracts from Australian comments on Mr. Bonar Law's speech.

The *Melbourne Argus* considers that Mr. Bonar Law's proposal is most dangerous.

The *Adelaide Advertiser* says that the Dominions never asked the Motherland to impose duties which might be burdensome to the British people.

The *Sydney Herald* advises Mr. Bonar Law to turn his energies into a more profitable channel.

The *Sydney Daily Telegraph* says that the Dominions have no business to advise Great Britain as to her tariff policy. Mr. Bonar Law is only trying to bamboozle the people, and is paltering with the policy of food taxes.

The *Melbourne Age* says there are no genuine tariff reformers in England, since Mr. Chamberlain's policy is only possible by imposing food taxes.

LATER.

The *Globe* publishes a letter from Mr. Austen Chamberlain, in which he points to the success of Lord Lansdowne's and Mr. Bonar Law's speeches at the Albert Hall, and affirms that Mr. Bonar Law's speech at Ashton-under-Lyne was supplementary to the others.

"There is no contradiction or discrepancy between them," the letter goes on. "It must be obvious that before deciding the details of Colonial preference, consultation and a conference of Colonial representatives are necessary. The Unionists seek from the people power to arrange a reciprocal preference within certain limits. All parties to the arrangement must retain autonomous rights. We have no more intention of fixing Colonial duties than the Dominions have of fixing ours, but we believe that a commercial union would be of mutual advantage."

KING'S ILLNESS DENIED.

His Majesty Well and out Shooting.

LONDON, Dec. 27.

His Majesty's Equerry states that there is no truth in the report that the King is ill in bed. His Majesty has been shooting all day, and is very well.

POLO CUP.

Composition of British Team.

LONDON, Dec. 27.

It is unofficially stated that Mr. Buckmaster, who will lead the Hurlingham team, which has challenged for the American Polo Cup next year, will be accompanied by Mr. Freak, Captains Belville, Cheape and Ritson, and Lord Wodehouse.

With a view to meeting America's past superiority in combination, it was felt that the nucleus of the team should be contributed by the strongest side in the country, and Lord Westminster consequently invited the Old Cantabs team *en bloc*.

NEW ZEALAND'S CRUISER.

To take a Prolonged Cruise to the Islands.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The battle cruiser "New Zealand", which was built at the expense of the New Zealand Government, leaves at the end of January, for a prolonged cruise. She will call at St. Helena, Simon's Bay and Hobart, and will spend from two to three months in New Zealand waters. She will be under the command of Captain Halsey, who was in charge of the naval guns in the Boer War, and Commander Grace, a son of the well-known cricketer.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

In a match played at Adelaide, South Australia scored 569, of which Mayne contributed 124, Chamberlain, 103 and Steele, 113 not out. New South Wales made 276 in their first innings, and, following on, were all out for 240.

In a match played at Melbourne between New South Wales and Victoria, the former scored 84 in their first innings and 232 in their second, Victoria made 181 at the first attempt and 137 for 4 wickets in the second, thus winning by six wickets.

PRINCE YAMAGATA.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

The Berlin Press expresses gratification at the escape of Prince Yamagata, who is highly esteemed as a commander and statesman. The papers extol his military and political career, and congratulate Japan that one of her greatest sons has been spared to her.

PRINCE ALBERT.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Prince Albert will sail shortly, on board the cruiser "Cumberland," with a party of other cadets, for a six months' cruise in the West Indies.

THE DOCTORS' SPLIT.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

Two more members of the council of the British Medical Association have resigned, disapproving of the Association's policy in regard to the Insurance Act.

THE VICEROY'S CONDITION.

Improvement of Wounds and Deafness.

A RAID BY THE C. I. D.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, Dec. 28.

The following bulletin was issued at 8 a.m., to-day:—

His Excellency's general condition is satisfactory. The deafness of the right ear is very much better this morning. He passed a fair night. The wounds are not causing so much discomfort.

MEDICAL REPORTS.

DELHI, Dec. 29.

The following bulletin was issued at 8 a.m. to-day:—His Excellency had a very good night, sleeping well; and has no discomfort from his wounds.

The following bulletin dated 5 p. m., 29th December, 1912, has been issued:—His Excellency the Viceroy has spent the day in the verandah, and expresses himself as feeling much better. Major Matthews, I. M. S., of the X-rays Institution, Dehra Dun, arrived here this morning with a complete apparatus, and took several skiagrams. These show a small piece of metal in the neck, which will require removal.

DELHI, Dec 28.

Sir Guy Fleetwood Wilson has been now formally authorised by his Excellency the Viceroy to summon and preside at meetings of the Executive Council, pending the recovery of his Excellency, who is making excellent progress, but is hardly likely to be allowed by his medical advisers to resume active work for some weeks to come.

MEANS OF ESCAPE.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The *Empire's* special correspondent at Delhi points out that while Chandney Chowk was almost over-guarded by police and troops, Queen's Gardens was left completely unguarded. The house from which the bomb was thrown open at the back directly upon Queen's Gardens, and there are thick bushes and shrubs touching the back wall. No doors open into the garden, but there are windows at no great height from the ground, from which escape must have been easy. The only person who saw the bomb thrown is a woman, who says that she saw something being thrown from a sling resembling a handkerchief, but that she would be unable to recognise the man who threw it.

POLICE THEORIES.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29.

The *Journal* states that, on receipt of certain instructions from the Delhi Police, the Bengal Criminal Investigation Department, yesterday, raided the house of a Mahomedan named Zahar Ali in Doctor's-lane, Karraya, in Ballygunge. A careful search was made, but nothing was seized, and no arrest made.

The police have two theories in view, in pursuing their investigations—firstly, that the outrage was the work of a Hindu nationalist, or, secondly, of a Mahomedan fanatic incensed at the developments of the Turco-Bulgarian War.

ANJUMAN MEETING.

A public meeting of the Mahomedans of Bombay under the auspices of the Anjuman-i-Islam of Bombay, was held at 5-30 p.m. at the Anjuman Hall to express their detestation, horror and indignation at the dastardly attempt on the lives of their Excellencies Lord and Lady Hardinge. The meeting was attended by leading members of the community, Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Bart., being elected to the chair. The president, in his speech, explained the object of the gathering, and said that Lord Hardinge's name would go down to posterity as one of the wisest, most humane, and liberal Viceroys that had come to India. It was rank ingratitude that such a capable and popular Viceroy should be made the target of some traitor's malice. Their minds refused to believe that even an insane man could dare to fling any weapon against him.

Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin proposed the following resolution: "That this public meeting of the Mahomedans of Bombay, held under the auspices of the Anjuman-i-Islam of Bombay, express their deep horror and indignation of the whole of the Mahomedan community at the dastardly attempt on the lives of our beloved and popular Viceroy and Lady Hardinge, offer congratulations on their narrow escape and earnestly pray for his Excellency's speedy recovery." In proposing the resolution, Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin dwelt at length upon his Excellency's qualities, and the sympathy shown by him towards Mahomedans.

The resolution was carried, and a copy will be forwarded to the Viceroy. A vote of thanks to the chair closed the proceedings.

On receipt of the news of Delhi outrage, H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore telegraphed his sympathy with the Viceroy and Lady Hardinge, and congratulations on their providential escape.

The citizens of Bangalore representing Mysore territory, last Friday evening, in the Daddanna Hall, passed the following resolution, which was spoken to in English by Mr. Kumaraswamy Naik, Deputy Commissioner in the chair, by Mr. Karnick Krishna Murti in Kanarese and by Mr. Mahomed Ghouse Razvi in Hindustani, and carried, all present standing:—"The citizens of Bangalore, in a public meeting assembled, beg to express their abhorrence and indignation at the dastardly outrage attempted on the person of their Excellencies the Viceroy and Governor-General of India and Lady Hardinge. They offer their thanks to the Almighty for their Excellencies' providential escape, and tender their respectful and heartfelt sympathy with their Excellencies. The Central Mahomedan Association of Mysore has telegraphed a similar message."

The following wire was despatched from Ankola:—"Ankola public of all castes, including Government servants, in meeting, express utter abhorrence at the dastardly act against our popular Viceroy, tender respectful sincere sympathy, pray for his speedy recovery."

The Anjuman-i-Islam, Surat, sent a telegram of sympathy with their Excellencies the Viceroy and Lady Hardinge, and prayed God for the former's speedy recovery.

"The Kanara Catholic Association, in a telegram to the Private Secretary to the Viceroy, begs to express its horror and indignation at the dastardly and out rageous act, which all but deprived India of one of its most popular Viceroys and marred the splendour of an epoch-marking function, and its gratitude to God at the miraculous escape of their Excellencies. Prays that his Excellency will be speedily restored to health, and that swift and dire retribution will overtake the offender."

MOSLEM EDUCATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, Dec. 28.

At the second sitting of the Moslem Education Conference, resolutions were passed deploring the Delhi outrage, and expressing condolences on the death of Shamshululema Maulana Nazir Ahmad and other Moslem leaders.

It was also resolved that special inspectors be appointed in every province for the educational requirements of the community, and that Government be requested to direct that Government officials should help in the establishment of Mohamadan schools and colleges in various parts of the country.

INDIAN MOSLEMS.

All-India Conference at Lucknow.

THE UNIVERSITY QUESTION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, Dec. 28.

The All-India Mahomedan Conference opened at 11 a. m. to-day. The attendance was great, and his Honour the Lieut.-Governor was present during the morning session, which was occupied entirely by the presidential address by Major-Syed Hassan Bilgrami, I. M. S., who condemned the Delhi outrage, and stated it was the earnest prayer of all that the Viceroy would be speedily restored to health.

He prefaced his remarks on education by quoting the words of the King-Emperor, which, he said, constituted "Magna Charta" of the educational future of this country.

Passing on to the question of the Moslem University, the president said that decision of the Secretary of State had given the "coup de grace" to the movement. He criticised adversely the conclusions of the Constitution Committee, but said that, in consenting to the various vetoes in the constitution, they had contemplated their exercise by their own Chancellor. Transference of these powers made the university practically a Government institution instead of a communal one. The attitude of the Government, he said, betrayed an amount of suspicion and distrust of the community which was not justified, either on theoretical grounds or as the result of past experience. Even if Government conceded the right of affiliation he would still advise rejection of the scheme, as affiliation would be useless without control. It was said that the Hindus had accepted the Government scheme, but after all that community had not an Aligarh College to lose.

The president then went on to discuss what could be done to make Aligarh College more useful to the community under the present conditions until such time as the Secretary of State thought it fit to grant a charter without existing limitations. He suggested it should specialise in Oriental learning, especially Arabic and the other Semitic languages, in which, in the course of a few years, it might become the recognised authority for the whole world. He also insisted on the importance of a knowledge of English, and a working knowledge of the literature of those three countries should be available to Moslem students.

In conclusion, he urged the vital importance to the community of commerce and industry. They were not taking their proper share in the economic development of their country, and if they failed in that they failed in everything.

He ended with a tribute to the British Government, to which was due the favourable conditions under which the people were working out their economic salvation.

The president's speech was followed by a few remarks by his Honour, who said that he wished to express thanks for his welcome, and pleasure at the eloquent speech. There were expressions in the speech with which he could not agree. He was sure that there were things he could say with which the president would not agree, but that did not prevent free comment and frank speech. Referring to a remark by the president, he said that, whatever had happened there, no suspicion existed between Government and the community. As long as Government spoke frankly to the community and the community to Government, so long would there be mutual confidence. His Honour was loudly cheered.

SCHOOL SECTION.

A meeting of the School Section of the All-India Mahomedan Educational Conference took place last night. Maulvi Bashirudin, editor of the "Al-Bashe" er presided. In his opening speech he laid stress on the creation of primary and high schools, wherever possible, reviving the "Maktab" system, and affiliating all the Ismalia schools, primary, secondary, or high, to the School Section, thus bringing them under one and the same system of religious education. He pointed out the necessity of finding out means of inducing Mussalmans to obtain educational training.

Haji Meerza Abulkasim Irani, professor at the Aligarh College, in a learned speech, pointed out the urgent necessity of introducting immediate reforms in the Persian course of Indian universities, especially in that of the Allahabad University.

HINDU SOCIAL REFORM.

Meeting of the Bankipore Conference.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

BANKIPORE, Dec. 29.

The Social Conference met to-day in the Congress pandal. Pandit Ramavatar Sharma, the president, in a lengthy address, said it was not proper for them to call non-Hindus "Mlechhas" or unclean. He condemned early marriage, purda life, caste rigidity, and social extravagance, which were of mediaval origin and not sanctioned by ancient sages or sadhus and were stigmas of the society. He advocated sea voyages and was against celibacy being enforced on widows and sadhus. He condemned the action of leaders who were wasting money in wrong directions, and suggested the opening of Hindu dining-rooms in towns and railway stations and the purchase of ships.

Resolutions were adopted urging the necessity of raising the minimum marriageable age, elevating the depressed classes, receiving back into Hindu society men returned from foreign countries, releasing the rigour of purda, introducing intermarriage among sub-castes and the remarriage of young widows; and the abolition of polygamy, of ill-assorted marriages, nautches, intemperance, marriage dowries, and extravagant expenditure in ceremonies.

The Conference accorded whole-hearted support to Mr. Dadabhoy's Bill.

LADIES' CONFERENCE.

The Ladies' Conference met here to-day and, Mrs. Mudholkar presided. About one hundred purda ladies were present. The president urged two questions mainly for the consideration of the Conference—first, female education, and second, the abolition of child-marriage. She suggested the formation of committees in every province for the purpose of carrying on a crusade against child-marriage and female illiteracy.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

Recommendations by Bengal Committees.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

The committee appointed by the Government of Bengal last cold weather, to advise on the creation of a Technological Institute in Calcutta, recommended a large institute in the centre of Calcutta, a college of engineering, and a mining school at Asansol. The small departmental committee which has been considering details of the proposed Calcutta institute, suggests that the building should be near the business centre, and should include various departments of engineering, jute, and cotton fabrics, chemistry, printing, commercial subjects, and a women's department with commercial branch in one for millinery and dress-making. Opportunities will be given for training up to the university degree.

THEISTS' GATHERING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANKIPORE, Dec. 28.

The proceedings of the Theistic Conference, under the presidency of Professor Mullick, has been concluded. About fifty delegates came from different provinces. Messrs. Kuar Sheresi of Patna, Shinde of Bombay, Asaram of Karachi, and others delivered speeches on subjects relating to the Theistic Church in India.

BUFFALO CHARGES A CAR.

Exciting Adventure of Bombay Motorists.

THROWN OVER A BRIDGE.

The two Bombay motorists, Messrs. P. C. Sawyer (of Messrs. Hill, Sawyer and Co.,) and J. Smith, who this week attempted to lower the record for a journey to Calcutta, returned to Bombay yesterday morning, their car having met with a serious accident, due to a charging buffalo.

The car, which was selected for the attempt, was a 30 h. p. Studebaker, E. M. F., and it was hoped to reach Calcutta after 3 1-2 days' hard travelling, day and night. The party, consisting of four, the two gentlemen mentioned, Mr. A. McDermott, who went as time-keeper, and a native mechanic named Khambatta, made a start at five minutes past three on Tuesday afternoon. It had been arranged that Mr. McDermott should send telegrams to Bombay describing the progress, which had been made, from each stopping-place, i. e., about twice a day, and when nothing had been heard for three days, the friends of the young men composing the party were naturally in a state of great anxiety. It now transpires that a telegram was sent from Igatpuri, but was never delivered, while after the accident the party found themselves halted at a spot where telegraphic communication was not possible.

On the first day they reached Igatpuri at 9-37 p.m., and after dinner drove all night to Dhulia, 192 miles from Bombay, which was reached at five minutes past six in the morning. Thence they went on to the Tapti River, through which the car was hauled by six pairs of bullocks. The magneto and carburettor were both submerged; but the engine started again after a few turns of the crank. After this Khal Ghat was reached about three in the afternoon (of Christmas Day), and, as the bridge at this place had been washed away by floods, they had to be ferried over the river. It was soon after leaving here that they met with the accident which put a stop to their trip.

HOW THE TRIP ENDED.

At 4-30 p.m. they were bowling along at about 35 miles an hour on a good stretch of straight road near the village of Gujrse, which is 28 miles this side of Mhow. A buffalo was standing amongst some trees a few yards off the road, when suddenly he charged full tilt straight at the car. It was impossible to avoid him altogether, but Mr. Sawyer, who was driving, turned the car to the left as much as possible in order to strike the animal on the side. In consequence the off side of the car struck the buffalo on his right shoulder, causing the car to go still further to the left. The result was that the front axle-cap on the near side caught against a boulder at the approach to a small bridge. The car mounted the boulder and ran along the parapet, removing the coping for several yards. Then it stopped dead and overturned into the dry nullah about 12 feet below. Fortunately for them, the occupants of the car were thrown out, when the car first hit the boulder, and were thrown far enough away from the bridge to be clear of the car, when it came down. The car, it is true, fell over Mr. Sawyer's feet, but fortunately they were in the space between the front seat and the dash-board, and so were untouched. Mr. Sawyer, Mr. Smith, and the mechanic, Khambatta, who was asleep when the collision occurred, were unhurt except for a severe shaking and bruising. Mr. McDermott, however, had dislocated his shoulder. Meanwhile the car had been turned upside down and was lying in that position with the engine still working. The buffalo was not seen again.

It was found that there was a hospital at Nanpur, 12 miles away, and a passing pony tonga having been stopped, Mr. Sawyer set off with Mr. McDermott. The hospital was reached about two o'clock in the morning, an assistant surgeon reduced the dislocation, and Mr. McDermott was put to bed. Mr. Sawyer then, after a brief sleep on an operating table, started back for Gujree on a bullock tonga, and reached it about midday on Thursday. There he found that Mr. Smith had obtained labour from the village and had righted the car. However, the steering gear was completely smashed, and so also were the two near wheels. The righting of the car was particularly welcomed, as it enabled the two motorists to get at their stores, which had been lying underneath it, so that for nearly twenty-four hours they had not had nothing to eat. They then got the car on to two bullock-carts, which were braced together, and, with a good supply of bullocks, set off for Mhow station. The journey to Mhow took nearly two days, for, starting about four o'clock on Thursday, they reached Mhow station at 12-54 on Saturday. Thence they took a train, which landed them in Bombay at 7-30 yesterday morning, and left the car to follow them.

It may be noted that prior to the accident, the car had behaved very well, and climbed the Ghats nearly all the way on top speed. She was fitted with Dunlop tyres, and, except for one puncture, these gave no trouble whatever, in spite of the bad roads which were traversed.

We understand that undeterred by their bad luck, Mr. Sawyer and Mr. Smith intend to repeat the attempt shortly on a two-seater car, also of the Studebaker E. M. F. type.

THE OPIUM PROBLEM.

"Times" Plain Criticism of Continued Sales.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 28.

The *Pioneer's* London correspondent telegraphs:—

The *Times*, in the course of a leader on the opium difficulty, says that Great Britain falters, because in the last resort war, to insist upon the fulfilment of the agreements, would be regarded as indefensible. The Government of India continues to force sales, fearing that their stoppage would derange the Budget. It is an unpleasant difficulty, but the Government is not therefore justified in ruining many people, who have faith in the ability and willingness of Britain to enforce her own agreements. By continuing to sell opium for export to China, and demanding double export duty thereon, the Government is following a procedure even more questionable than the traffic itself.

DEATH OF LIEUT. BARNEY.

Painful Sequel to a Bombay Accident.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 28.

The *Pioneer's* London correspondent telegraphs:—

Lieutenant Barney, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, on sick leave from India, was found in his bedroom on christmas day fatally shot.

[It will be remembered that Lieut. Barney, who was with the 1st Royal Warwickshire Regt., when it came to Bombay, and was hon. secretary of the regimental Amateur Dramatic Society, met with a severe accident near Santa Cruz some months ago after a run with the Bombay Hunt. He was returning from the hunt, when his horse put his foot in a hole, and the rider was badly thrown. He lay in the sun, unconscious and bareheaded, until about two in the afternoon before he was picked up and brought to Colaba in a motor-car. For some days his life was in danger, and eventually he was sent Home on sick leave.]

THE CONGRESS.

Colonial Self-Government for India.

MODIFIED AIMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PANKIPORE, Dec. 28.

The Congress re-assembled to-day at 11-30 a.m. Mr. S. N. Rau of Madras moved the resolution on local self-government. He said that it was a pity that the Government could not see its way to give effect to either Lord Ripon's resolution, or the recommendations of the Decentralisation Commission. He suggested that local and municipal bodies should have an elective majority, and they should be free from undue interference of Government and should have a non-official chairman. Unless these were granted no real progress could be made in self-government.

Mr. Dravid of the Central Provinces deplored that they had had to bring forward this resolution year after year. Regarding the personnel of local bodies, he said in his province were composed three-fourths of elected members, and he was surprised that this system was not granted in the major provinces. He urged the granting of increased powers and functions to these bodies. As regards resources, he said it was a mistake to urge that local bodies should find their own resources. Let the Government treat the bodies as Governments did in other countries. The resolution was carried.

Mr. Surendranath Banerjea next moved the resolution on provincial autonomy.

Mr. Banerjea, in moving the resolution on provincial autonomy, said that, whatever differences existed with regard to the Congress, there was none as regards its statute and position as the principal factor in public life in India. It was the one recognised political organisation of the people of India. A pronouncement made by the Congress had a significance of its own. When Congress definitely made up its mind about any political reform, half the battle was won. The Royal visit marked an era of peace, concord and tranquillity, and there was no doubt it would culminate in beneficent results. The Public Services Commission had opened up prospects of the wider employment of Indians in the Government services. This prospect, when fulfilled, would lead to autonomous self-government, which was an ordinance of nature and had been the principal plank in the Congress platform. Indians wanted colonial self-government. They could not get it in a day, but they had learnt patience in the hard school of disappointment. That goal was to be arrived in the process of evolution, and not revolution. Referring to the third para. of the despatch of the 25th August 1911, Mr. Banerjea said that their feeling towards Lord Crewe was one of gratitude for the general liberality of policy, but they could not congratulate him on his interpretation of this paragraph of the despatch. He said it merely enunciated a scheme of decentralisation. Mr. Banerjea said this interpretation was inadmissible on the grounds of presumption and general reference to the despatch. The despatch was pregnant with hopes, and the third para. could not but include the boon. The plain meaning of the third para. was to give the provinces a larger measure of self-government until India had autonomous provincial governments. It had been said that colonial self-government was a dream, but the dream of one age would be the reality of another. Their goal was colonial self-government or self-government for the federated States of India, thriving under the fostering care of England.

Mr. Khare, in seconding the resolution, said they had advanced far beyond the stage of a dream. The idea had started with John Bright, and developed in Lord Mayo's administration, and gone further when Major Baring suggested provincial contracts.

Mr. Sasan Kajiban Roy supported the resolution, which was carried.

The Hon. Mr. Motilal Nehru moved the resolution urging the creation of Executive Councils for the United Provinces and the Punjab. The resolution, being duly seconded and supported, was carried.

THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.

The next resolution, while thanking Government for the establishment of Legislative Councils in the Central Provinces and Assam, prayed that the Central Provinces might be placed under a Lieutenant-Governor. It was moved by Mr. M. P. Mundle of Berar, and seconded by Mr. Kuns of Amraoti, and was carried.

Resolutions deprecating the extension of separate electorates to local bodies, and urging the amendment of Section 3 of the Indian Councils Act of 1861, to allow of advocates, vakils and attorneys of High Courts being appointed to the office of Law Member on the Viceroy's Executive Council, were put from the chair and carried.

Mr. Sachindra Prasad Basu moved the resolution on education, which, while approving the movement for the establishment of teaching and residential universities, prayed for some measure of free and compulsory elementary education. The speaker deplored that, in spite of Mr. Gokhale's arguments and reasonings in favour of compulsory primary education, his bill had been thrown out. Mr. Ramaswami Iyer seconded the resolution, which was supported by several speakers, and carried.

Mr. G. K. Devadher of Bombay moved the resolution on sanitation, urging the necessity of opening congested areas, of the reclamation of silted rivers, the clearing of jungles and the supply of pure drinking-water. The resolution also exhorted local bodies to educate the public in matters of sanitation. The speaker said that the first portion referred to the work of the Government, and the second to the work of the people, and it was a matter of satisfaction that there was some awakening on the part of both the Government and the people to secure better health, and the sanitation of urban and rural areas. The resolution was seconded in Hindi and carried.

The next two resolutions were put from the chair and carried. The first urged the curtailment in all spending departments of the Imperial and Provincial Governments and Military Departments. The second resolution urged the introduction of a permanent land settlement in provinces where short-period settlements prevailed.

The Hon. Mr. Harasinha Raja moved the next resolution expressing the injustice of keeping the higher ranks in the Army closed against the people of India, and of excluding certain races and castes from the lower ranks. The resolution, being seconded and supported, was carried.

The next resolution urged that all High Courts in India should have the same direct relation to the Government of India as the Calcutta High Court. It was put from the chair and carried.

Dr. Tejbanadur Sapru next moved the resolution appreciating the services of Mr. Gokhale in connection with his visit to South Africa. He said that Mr. Gokhale's name had become a household word among both Hindus and Mahomedans for his eminent services in the Council and elsewhere, but his services in South Africa had eclipsed all previous services. The resolution, being seconded by Mr. Krishna Sahay, was adopted with acclamation.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CONGRESS.

The President next put the resolution adopting the amended constitution and rules of the Congress. He said several important amendments had been made in the constitution and rules, and the foremost of them was in regard to the provision of the election of delegates. Since the unfortunate incident which had happened some years back it had been found necessary to impose some restrictions. It had been laid down that only certain bodies and associations should elect delegates. Since last year, suggestions had been made to revise that rule, and it was decided that delegates might be elected at public meetings called by recognised Congress committees and associations. Another alteration was the reduction of delegation fees from Rs. 20 to Rs. 10. Half the delegation fees should be sent to the British Congress Committee, provided the minimum amount was not less than Rs. 3,000. Then there was the provision of appointing a paid assistant secretary. The President announced that out of Rs. 20,000 needed, Rs. 16,000 had been guaranteed by men representing different provinces. The resolution was carried.

Mr. Malaviya moved and Mr. Surendranath Banerjee seconded the next resolution, recording the services of Sir William Wedderburn and other members of the British Committee, and offering pecuniary aid to the newspaper "India." The resolution was carried with acclamation.

The members of the All-India Congress Committee were then appointed, and Messrs. Wacha and Khare were re-appointed general secretaries for

he year 1913. The next Congress will meet a Karachi.

The President next observed that he had received requisition that morning, signed by twenty-five delegates, regarding the moving of a resolution. A voice interrupted him by saying, "Resolution on separate High Court for Behar." Continuing, the president said that he had taken the opinion of several ex-presidents present, and he was of opinion that as the subject had not been placed before the Subjects Committee, it could not be brought before the Congress.

The Hon. Mr. Sinha proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the president, who, in the course of his reply, said he could not find words adequate to give expression to his feelings at the kind and affectionate terms in which Mr. Sinha had spoken of him. He was an honourable servant of his country, and it was his duty to devote his whole life and all the power in him to the service of the Motherland and her children. If he had been able to do something useful and promote the cause of the Congress, it was due to the indulgence and co-operation with which they had met his request. To all true sons of India who did not join the Congress from a personal feeling, the president appealed from there, in the name of the country, to revise their judgment, and see if the Congress programme now was not the same as that of former years and to come and work unitedly. To the Provincial Committee he appealed to find more money to meet the demands which were of a more difficult nature.

COUNCIL REGULATIONS.

The Hon. Mr. Sinha moved a resolution on revision of the Council regulations. He said that the resolution was adopted last year, but their experience in the Councils had led them to suggest that there should be a non-official majority in the Imperial Council, and a majority of elected members in the Provincial Councils. The system of voting by delegates should be done away with, and the qualifications of the electors should be based on education, property or income. Government should not have the power to declare any person ineligible for election on the ground of antecedents or reputation. There should never be any ineligibility for election unless the candidate's conduct involved moral turpitude. No person ignorant of English should be held eligible for membership, or have the right of putting supplementary questions, and the strength of the Punjab Council should be raised from twenty-six to fifty.

Babu Dwarkenath of Muzaffarpur, in seconding the resolution, said that even Meanjis and Moulvis had votes, but Hindu graduates had none, and the remedy for this was for Hindus to become Mahomedans.

A voice: "You are going beyond the resolution."

The President: "It is the National Congress, and we must not make a reflection on any community."

The speaker: "The resolution is against the framers of the regulations, and not against any community."

After the resolution had been supported by several speakers in Hindi and Urdu, Dr. Tejbahadur Sapru moved the following amendment:—"Those bodies who have separate electorates should not be allowed to participate either as voters or electors in the general electorate. He wished to add that clause to the resolution they were going to adopt.

Mr. Chintamani supported the amendment. The Hon. Mr. Haque said his first and foremost duty, both as a Congressman and as a Mahomedan, was to enter an emphatic protest against the language used by an Urdu speaker against his community. He said his views regarding separate electorates were known to them, but he thought it was a most inopportune moment to introduce it in the resolution. He asked Dr. Sapru to withdraw his amendment at least for one year. Dr. Sapru withdrew the amendment and Mr. Haque thanked him on behalf of the Mahomedan community. The president observed that the amendment, if carried, would have led them to innumerable difficulties. The original resolution was carried.

COMMENT BY THE "PIONEER."

The "Pioneer," in a leading article contrasts the Indian National Congress of previous years with the present one, and remarks:—Slightly was it foreseen that one of the earliest effects of the reforms in the Legislative Councils, effected under Lord Minto, must be a modification of the position and the aims of the National Congress. The voice of the gathering could not, in the face of the changes that were coming into force, remain the voice crying fretfully in the wilderness, that whatever was was wrong. The recognised leaders of the Indian educated classes, called up to take their share in the business of legislation and finance, and admitted to the confidence of the Government, could not, without qualifying themselves, maintain their adherence to the outside movement that confined itself to querulous and hostile criticism, often hovering on the border of disaffection. The note of the Indian national gathering gains step by step in moderation and restraint. The change in the last four years has been certainly very great. The Congress has altered out of recognition. Instead of Bengali orators thundering along their various roads up to the climax, "How long shall we endure," we have such men as Mr. Madholkar, and Mr. Mazharul Haque, one putting forward a reasonable appeal to his Mahomedan brethren to join the Congress, and the other principally occupied with an elaborate statement of the Indian claim for higher and fuller employment in the Public services. The subsidence of the Indian Congress upon its present constitutional attitude has no doubt been greatly facilitated by the decline of the Indian party in Parliament.

The president then thanked the members of the Reception Committees and the Volunteers, and the proceedings concluded with three cheers to their Imperial Majesties.

THEOSOPHICAL CONVENTION.

Resolution on the pending Legal Proceedings.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, Dec. 28.

At a general council meeting of the Theosophical Society sitting for the last three days at Adyar, a number of interesting resolutions were passed, affecting the future conduct of the Society, the most important being the following:—The General Council of the Theosophical Society has been fully informed by the president of the circumstances and motives leading up to her present action in regard to the legal proceedings pending. While putting on record its indignation at the long-continued campaign of defamation levelled in print against the Society and headquarters, it desires to express its full approval of the action now being taken to vindicate the honour of the Society, and to assent and uphold before the public the high standards of integrity and morality which its members here and all the world over aim at in their lives. The General Council would have been prepared to assume the full financial responsibility for any action already taken, or thought necessary to be taken hereafter by its president in defence of the Society, if it had not been further expressed with that no part of the financial expenses should fall on the Theosophical Society. Further, the Council desired to assure the president of its full support and sympathy. This was moved by the representative of Italy, and seconded by Sir Subramania Iyer.

ORDER OF SERVICE.

The convention of the Indian section of the Theosophical Society assembled at 12 noon, and a resolution expressing abhorrence at the attempt on the life of H. E. the Viceroy and of Lady Hardinge, and sympathy at their escape, was passed.

Twenty-eight members were elected as councillors. The report of the general secretary for India, as well as those of the provincial secretaries, showed satisfactory progress.

In the afternoon there was a meeting of the Theosophical Society Order of Service, at which discussions on the path of service, in the Vedas, and facts and ideals of Theosophical service, were opened by Mahadeva Shastri and Mrs. Gagarin, respectively. Mrs. Besant delivered her second public lecture on "Theosophy, the Open Road to Masters." The last function on to-day's programme was the meeting of the O. S. E., at which Mr. G. S. Arundale delivered a lecture on the "Work and Hopes of the O. S. E."

Mr. H. Clayton, I. C. S., Assistant Commissioner, is transferred from Rangoon and placed on special duty at Maymyo in the office of the Registrar of Co-operative Credit Societies, Burma.

H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore and the Maharani started on the night of the 23rd with a large party of ladies from the palace to visit the Gersoppa falls, returning on the 27th night.

FIRST INDIAN BISHOP.

Consecration of Rev. Azariah at Calcutta.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29.

The first Indian bishop, Rev. V. S. Azariah was consecrated Bishop of Darnakal at St Paul's Cathedral this morning, the service being conducted by the Right Rev. Dr. Copleston, the Metropolitan, assisted by ten bishops, viz., the Bishops of Lucknow, Chota Nagpur, Rangoon, Colombo, Travancore and Cochin, Tinnevelly and Madura, Nagpur, Lahore and Madras. Others who took part in the service were the Archdeacon of Calcutta, the Rev. Canon E. Sell, who preached a sermon, in the course of which he said that the consecration of an Indian bishop marked a step forward in the history of the Indian church. It was known there were difficulties to overcome, and that the progressive change would call for opposition now, as previous changes had done in days gone by. But it was believed that the policy was thoroughly sound and right, and that in no possible other way could they meet the emergencies of so great and growing a work as the evangelization of India involved.

After the sermon the Bishops of Madras and Tinnevelly met the Bishop-designate at the chancel steps, and presented him to the Metropolitan. Then the oath of obedience was administered, and the prescribed questions asked of the new bishop, who was then consecrated by a prayer, by the laying-on of hands, and the delivery of the bible.

The annual Masonic service was held at St. John's Church this morning, and was largely attended by Freemasons of all constituencies—English, Irish and Scottish.

AMUSEMENT.

MISS MARIE HALL.

Miss Marie Hall's forthcoming recitals at the Town Hall on Friday and Saturday of this week is now the great event to look forward to. The advance sale of reserved seats at Rs. 10 and Rs. 5 continues in a brisk manner at Messrs. Rose and Co., and in addition they will place on sale this morning four hundred unreserved seats at Rs. 3 for each recital. There is certain to be a rush for these seats, and all desirous of securing them are advised to apply at once, for this number will not be exceeded.

Miss Marguerite Tilleard as solo pianist and Mr. Hubert Bromilow, baritone, will support Miss Hall.

Their Excellencies Sir G. S. and Lady Clarke, who have given their patronage to the recitals, will be present at the initial performance on Friday.

Speaking of this great artist, the "Ottawa Citizen" says:—

Marie Hall's name will be handed down to posterity, recorded prominently in the annals of genius. Her playing was marvellous, thrilling, soulful, and tender. Her tone set the nerves vibrating. Com positions that in the hands of others would be mere exhibitions of mechanical dexterity, when played by Miss Hall are infused with life and fire and with sympathy in a way that sets the blood tingling. Her opening number, Vieuxtemps Concerto in E major, was a notable example of the transfiguration of a difficult musical study. To the casual listener it appeared remarkable, to the musician wonderful, and to all a delight. Seeing the pale, slight girl with the little brown violin tucked under the chin and the fingers like mere threads gliding rapidly over the fingerboard, the audience could not but marvel at the art that made the wood and string to thrill the soul. Marie Hall showed her audience that it is not strange that great violinists have been called magicians. Every movement of the Concerto seemed better than its predecessor, and when the young artist sounded the last chord she bowed to a house overpowered with enthusiasm. The middle number was the Othello Fantasia by Ernst, a pretty theme carried through charming and delightfully bewildering variations. Every grace of violin playing was called into use. The pearly staccato, the wailing double stopping, the stirring silvery harmonies and the simple cantabile of the theme followed one another like the wonders of nature, and moved the audience from emotion to emotion with almost supernatural power. The audience sat and listened, thinking only of the pale, slight figure and the entrancing music her magic art was producing. A tremendous ovation was accorded Miss Hall, the audience being roused to unmitted applause. Over and over again she came back. The performance throughout was so faultlessly superb that it is scarcely necessary to describe the remaining numbers. They comprised the Ave Maria by Schubert-Wilhelmj, and the famous Moto Perpetuo by Paganini. The latter was taken with lightning speed and electrifying effect. It is doubtful if the wizard violinist who composed it could have done it better. It closed the programme, except for an encore delivered after several recalls. It was a sweet, tender, soulful melody, and full of that sympathetic charm that characterizes all Marie Hall's playing. During her present stay in the city, as on her previous visit, Miss Hall was the guest of the Governor-General and Countess Grey at the Government House.

THE POLICE COURT.

RASH MOTOR DRIVING.

On Saturday at the Esplanade Police Court, before Rao Bahadur C. H. Setalvad, Third Presidency Magistrate, Deputy Inspector Daglish charged Ezekiel Raymond, a taxi-cab driver, with rash driving, thereby injuring Dhondu Dharma, a municipal cart driver, and also a bullock.

The evidence showed that on Friday morning at 6-45 o'clock, while he was collecting rubbish from a dustbin on Malabar Hill, the car driven by the accused ran against his cart, injuring him on the face and breaking a horn of one of the bullocks.

The accused pleaded that in order to avoid running over a man, he reversed his car, and in doing so, ran against the municipal cart.

The accused did not produce any evidence to prove his statement, and the magistrate, taking into consideration his previous convictions, fined him Rs. 60, with the option of three weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

A WARRANT OF EXTRADITION.

Inspector Power on Saturday appeared before the Third Presidency Magistrate and applied for a warrant of extradition against Tulsidas Harichand who was hiding in Veraval, in Jamnagar State, Kathiawar.

The accused, it is alleged, was employed as a bill collector by one Jamnadas Haridas, a merchant, and he absconded from Bombay, misappropriating Rs. 1,681.

A "prima facie" case having been proved against him, the Court directed a warrant to be issued against him for his surrender to British officials for trial in Bombay. The warrant would be forwarded to the Agent to the Governor, Rajkot, Kathiawar.

BOMBAY INQUEST.

FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT.

On Saturday the acting Coroner, Mr. H. P. T. Lattey, held an inquest touching the death of a Hindu boy named Premji Mitha, aged about 13, living with his parents at Jacob's-circle. On the 20th December, while crossing Parel-road in the afternoon, he was suddenly run over and fatally injured by a taxicab, No. 2174, as a result of which he died in the Sir J. J. Hospital. From the evidence it was clear that the cab was being driven rather rashly, and it collided with a cart and was damaged.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of death from fracture of the skull, caused by being knocked down by a taxicab driven by Sheik Asmon in a rash manner.

SPORTING NEWS.

CALCUTTA RACES.

First Extra Meeting, Fourth Day.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The first meeting came to a successful close, and the racing was of quite a good quality, although in some of the races the fields ruled small. The punters on the whole were losers. The attendance was fair.

PONY HANDICAP.—1 mile

Messrs. Valentine and Vernon's Circus Girl, 8st ..... Davis 1

Mr. Pitch's Son of a Gun, 8st..... Southall 2

Messrs. Dass and Pari's Stop Thief, 7st 8lbs Hardy 3

BETTING:—Four to one on Circus Girl, fours Son of a Gun, sixes Stop Thief.

THE RACE:—Circus Girl led from start to finish winning easily by 1 1-2 lengths, 3 lengths between second and third.

TIME:—1min. 50secs.

Totes paid Rs. 13 to the winner.

INNOVATION HANDICAP.—6 furlongs.

Mr Marshall's Beryl, 8st 9lbs..... Evans 1

Messrs. Valentine and Vernon's May Kenley, 8st 10lbs..... Davis 2

Mr Burjorjee's Blue Duck, 9st 5lbs..... Pratt 3

ALSO RAN:—Ruling Passion, 8st. 3lbs; Borgie, 9st. 12lbs; Regalia, 9st. 11lbs; Mavourneen, 8st. 11lbs; Kora, 8st. 7lbs; Mauveron, 8st. 6lbs: Nani, 8st; Sidonia, 7st. 4lbs; Moire, 7st. 2lbs.

BETTING:—Twos Beryl, fours Ruling Passion and Kora, sixes May Kenley, longer prices the rest.

THE RACE:—Beryl led from start to finish, and won by 1 1-4 lengths, a neck between second and third.

TIME:—1min. 15 1-4 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 29 to the winner; Rs. 15, Rs. 22 and Rs. 21 for places.

HOLLY PLATE.—5 furlongs.

R Scott's Royal Colours, 9st. 7lbs..... Evans 1

Capt Fell and Mr Wilsons Pretty Good Sort, 9st 8lbs..... Fergusson 2

Mr Walmsley's Waddling, 8st 10lbs..... Barret 3

ALSO RAN:—Madrana, 7st. 13lbs; Macann, 9st. 9lbs.; Glendock, 9st. 7lbs; Chestnut Park, 8st. 11lbs; Ross Chamberlain, 8st. 7lbs; Second to none, 8st 6 lbs; Brummegem Joe, 7st. 12lbs; Tom Chauser, 7st. 4lbs; Politesse, 7st. 2lbs; Annaheen, 7st. 2lbs.

BETTING:—Twos Royal Colours, fours Waddling, fives Madrina, sevens Rosa Chamberlain, longer prices the rest.

THE RACE:—Rosa Chamberlain led, followed by Madrina and Pretty Good Sort, then Royal Colours, the rest together. Opposite the Monsoon stand Royal Colours challenged the leaders, and won by 1 1-4 length, 1 1-2 length between second and third.

TIME:—1 min. 2 1-4 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 31 to winner, Rs. 14, Rs. 41 and Rs. 15 for places.

CHOWRINGHEE PTATE—7 furlongs.

Mr Kelson's Paul Pry, 8st 11lbs..... Evans 1

Mr Thaddeus' Watch Tower, 8st 8lbs... Fergusson 2

Mr. Goculdas' Refresher, 7st 4lbs..... A. Hoyt 3

ALSO RAN:—Lumination, 9st 7lbs; Blue Buck, 10st; Walmsley, 7st 12lbs; The Witch, 7st 12lbs.

BETTING:—Evens Lumination, fives Refresher, sixes Black Buck, Watch Tower and Paul Pry, longer prices the rest.

THE RACE:—Watch Tower took up the lead, with Lumination at his heels, Black Buck and Paul Pry next, and Refresher last. In the straight Lumination showed signs of distress. Paul Pry challenged the leader and after a tight finish won by a head, 1 1-4 length between second and third.

TIME:—1min. 27 3-4 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 145 to winner, Rs. 34, Rs. 17 and Rs. 22 for places.

MACPHERSON CUP—1 mile, 6 furlongs, 132 yds.

H. H. Kour Sahib's Gunboat, 9st 5lbs...Southall 1

Mr Goculdas's Master Delaval, 7st 5lbs...A. Hoyt 2

Mr Kalo's Hilarity, 9st 5lbs..... Evans 3

ALSO RAN:—Santoinette, 7st 11b; Kurnell, 8st 11lbs; Dhu Loun, 8st 8lbs; Bull Dog, 7st 12lbs; Valerius, 7st 8lbs; Lady Erna, 7st 6lbs; The Cellarer, 7st 3lbs.

BETTING:—Twos Hilarity and Gunboat, eights Valerius, Cellarer and Santoinette, longer prices the rest.

THE RACE:—Dhu Loun and the Cellarer led up to the mile-and-quarter post, then Lady Erna took up the running, Gunboat lying last all the time. From the half-mile post Santoinette and Hilarity became prominent. In the straight Gunboat came with a tremendous dash and won by 1 1-2 length, 2 lengths between second and third.

TIME:—3min 11 1-4 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 37 to winner, Rs. 16, Rs. 53 and Rs. 15 for places.

NEW YEAR PLATE.—Division 1—1 1-2 miles.

Mr. Thadeu's Wayward and Wild, 8st 7lbs. ..... Fergusson 1

Messrs. Valentine and Vernon's Bushy Dame, 7st 8lbs..... Davis 2

Mr. Manmohan's Lady Spring, 8st 11lbs... Duller 3

ALSO RAN:—Bachelor's Art, 8st, Milliner, 7st 7lbs.

BETTING:—six to four Lady Spring, fours Wayward and Wild, sixes Bachelor's Art, Bushy Dame and Milliner.

THE RACE:—Wayward and Wild led from start to finish, and won easily by 2 lengths, 2 1-2 lengths between second and taird.

TIME:—2mins. 36 1-4secs.

Totes paid Rs. 35 to winner, Rs. 24 and Rs. 29 for places.

NEW YEAR PLATE.—Division 2-1 1-2 miles.

Mr. Fergusson's Red Cell, 7st 12lbs..... Fergusan 1

Mr. Des Deas' Pyears Mostyn, 7st 3lbs... Tem-plaman 2

Col. Wilson's Speedometer, 9st 2lbs..... Evans 3

ALSO RAN:—Rapin, 9st 7lbs; Wise Hawk, 9st 9lbs; Sophocles, 9st 9lbs; Wassail, 9st 9lbs; Lucullus, 9st. 9lbs; Devereux, 9st; Silver Memory, 8st 11lbs; Yum Yum, 8st 10lbs.

BETTING:—six to four Red Cell, threes Pyers Mostyn, fours Sophocles and Silver Memory, eights or more the rest.

THE RACE:—Pyers Mostyn took a long lead and maintained it till the four-furlong post, where the field closed on him. In the straight a close finish ended in a win for Red Cell by a head, 3 1-2 lengths between second and third.

TIME:—2mins, 38secs.

Totes paid Rs. 42 to winner, Rs. 17, Rs. 15 and Rs. 20 for places.

YACHTING NOTES.

BY "BOWSPRIT."

There was practically a dead calm on Saturday, when the B class warning gun sounded. Trixee was an absentee, but this class was reinforced by the cutter of the German East Africa Line s. s. "Markgraf," to whose sporting Captain I offered a hearty welcome, and hope he will not be discouraged—and put in an appearance next week again in A class, to which his boat is more suited.

Erin and Lylie got away almost together, but Lylie, keeping to windward of a B. I. steamer, soon led, and, around the first mark, was about 1 1-2 minute ahead. Up to here it had been a drifting match, but a good breeze suddenly sprung up on the way to Mark Buoy. Lylie increased her lead, and reached the committee vessel just over 2 1-2 minutes ahead of Erin, and added another win to her already good record. The "Q" class Tomtit started next. Marie Louise, sailed to-day by her sporting owner, was first over the line, followed by Cricket. These two had a luffing match in mid-channel, which allowed Curlew and Mavourneen to come up. The order round the first mark was Mavourneen, Curlew, Marie Louise and Cricket, the others some distance behind. This was maintained to Mark Buoy, where, after rounding and on the beat home, Mavourneen and Cricket got away, the former gaining the gun by a few seconds from Curlew which had picked up again. Cricket won on time allowance with Curlew second and Marie Louise third, Mavourneen saving entrance.

The ships' boats were sent away at 3-20 p.m., and had a good race for the latter part of the course, the moderate breeze helping them. The race was won by the Highflyer's No. 1 Pinnace, second by Sphinx's cutter and third by Highflyer's cutter.

A class started at 3-30 p. m. The only representatives being Ices and Mahsukha. The latter led all the way round, and easily saved the time she was giving Ices, to which the light breeze was not suited.

The six metres had a day to themselves, starting without Nelta at 3-40. Corrie was first over, followed by Cynthia and Mynona together. Round, Bank Rock this was the order—Corrie, Cynthia and Mynona—which was maintained round N. Karanja Buoy. Here Corrie and Mynona put about, and Cynthia held on towards Butcher Island gaining considerably by the manœuvre, and reaching the Committee Vessel nearly 3 minutes ahead of Corrie and 6 1-4 minutes ahead of Cynthia.

The following races sailed on Saturday:—

"B" CLASS HANDICAP RACE—Sailed at 8 p.m.

Name of boats.	Time Al'ances M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Lylie.....	Scr	Mr R E Fischer.	4 58 32	1 53 32
Erin	2 6	Messrs Magill and Beadel ...	5 1 6	1 59 0
Cutter S S Markgraf..	5 15	Mr A Strandes.	Gave up	

Course: Committee Vessel—N Karanja Starboard—Mark Buoy Starboard—Committee Vessel—Length 6·31 miles. Wind W S W Strength Light. 1st prize won by Lylie.—Time-limit 6-30 p.m.

"C" CLASS HANDICAP RACE—Sailed at 8-10 p.m.

Name of boats.	Time Al'ances M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Fenella	6 49	Dr Goldsmith ..	5 19 51	2 3 2
Jenny Wren.	4 43	Capt Gloster and Kanhardt.....	Did not start	
Maud	5 46	Messrs Culbertson and Rich ...	5 24 2	2 8 16
Mavourneen.	Scr	Mr N Taylor ...	5 11 22	2 1 22
Pam	7 21	Mr A G Holmes.	5 20 21	2 3 0
Ytmy.....	6 18	Mr B C Reade...	Did not start	
Curlew	3 40	Mr R Hewett...	5 11 35	1 57 55
Cricket	4 46	Mr T Gregson...	5 11 50	1 56 4
Marie Louise	5 15	Mr K Meitver...	5 15 8	2 0 3
Anna	9 27	Offs. H M Mint.	5 30 16	2 10 49

Course: Committee Vessel—N Karanja Starboard—Mark Buoy Starboard—Committee Vessel—Length 6·31 miles Wind W S W Strength Light. 1st prize won by Cricket, 2nd prize won by Curlew and 3rd prize won by Marie Louise. Mavourneen Saves Entrance.—Time-Limit 6-30 p. m.

SHIP'S BOATS HANDICAP RACE.—Sailed at 3-20 p.m.

Name of boats.	Time Al'ances on Course. M S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Pinnace	1 20	Offs.	5 16 32	1 55 12
do ...	Scr	do	5 29 58	2 9 58
Cutter.....	7 31	do	5 33 57	2 6 26
do ...	10 25	do	5 33 6	2 2 31
do ...	10 35	do	Disqualified.	
Gig	10 35	do	Gave up.	
Cutter	13 17	Offs. "Sphinx".	5 35 28	2 2 11

"High-flyer"..... 5 16 32 1 55 12

Course: Committee Vessel—Mark Buoy Port—Committee Vessel. Length 5·20 miles. 1st prize won by Pinnace No. 1, 2nd prize won by Cutter H M S "Sphinx" and 3rd prize won by Cutter 30ft No 1 H M S Highflyer.—Time-limit 6-30 p.m.

METRE CLASS HANDICAP RACE—Sailed at 3-40 p.m.

Names of Boats.	Time Al'ances. M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Cynthia.....	3 17	Officers, R E ...	5 14 47	1 31 30
Mynona.....	3 17	Mr D Fraser ...	5 23 2	1 37 45
Corrie	3 17	Mr E B Macbeth	5 17 37	1 34 20
Nelta	Scr	Mr D Blythe...	Not entered	

Course: Committee Vessel—Sunk Rock Port—N Karanja Port—Committee Vessel. Length 7·30 miles. Wind W S W Strength Light. 1st prize won by Cynthia.

"A" CLASS HANDICAP RACE.—Sailed at 2-30 p.m.

Name of boats.	Time Al'ances M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Turquoise...	13 10	Messrs Stokes and Preston...	Did not start	
Isca	9 7	Mr T Kennedy.	5 20 9	1 41 2
Mahshuka....	Scr	Mr W Hughes.	5 5 10	1 35 10

Course: Committee Vessel—Sunk Rock Port—N Karanja Port—Committee Vessel. Length 7·30 miles. Wind W S W Strength Light. 1st prize won by Mahshuka.

BOMBAY HUNT.

In spite of Christmas holiday absentees, a goodly number of followers of the Bombay hunt turned out to the meet at the cross-roads, melon ground this morning, and excellent sport was enjoyed by everyone, only marred by an unfortunate and serious accident to Mr. B. Brown, to whom our sincere sympathies are extended. The master, with 18 odd couple of hounds, moved off shortly to draw the coverts which surround Sahar Hill, and after some minutes' patient work in the undergrowth, hounds spoke to a jack, which they pushed away in a rare pace.

It did not last for long, however, as the varmint, being of a twisty nature, took several chukkers round the southern end of the Bomanvadi valley, where some good bunds were encountered. He at length set his course straight across the valley towards Chuckla, where, swerving slightly to the left, he made off to the railway, which he crossed a few hundred yards south of Andheri. Hounds, however, were pressing the line hard, and when the greater portion of the field arrived at the railway embankment, sounds of a kill were heard on the far side. We had then to make somewhat of a detour, and passing through a culvert further down the line, we made our way back to Andheri, where hounds were found alone with their kill in the verandah of a vacant bungalow.

After a few minutes' rest we were off again, and, recrossing the railway, trotted sharply down the Andheri-Vehar road to the "Little Maiden," where second horses were awaiting us. The master then took hounds along the road running northwards towards Marole, and, finding after a very short time in the mango tope to the left, we were soon in pursuit of a straight necked one with his mask set in a line for Powai. Following the Tulsi pipe line for a while, and leaving Marole village to our right, we galloped on to the dangerously rock bestrewn hills beyond. It was at this point that three or four followers at least came to grief, including Mr. Brown who had the very great misfortune to break his leg. Running now over the ridge of these hills, the jack pointed direct for the jungle country surrounding Powai lake, in which no doubt he hoped to make his escape. He was becoming beat, however, and ere he could reach the safety of this cover, hounds ran into the schemer and made short work of him. The hour was then late, and, being far afield, hounds were collected, and we made for home. Tuesday next is a bye-day, and hounds will meet at Chuckla Hill.

RANGOON RIOTING DISPUTE.

Appeal Dismissed by C. T. C. in "Hygeia" Case.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Dec. 29.

The stewards of the Calcutta Turf Club have dismissed the appeal lodged against the decision of the Rangoon Stewards in the "Hygeia" case reported at the last race meeting, when an objection for boring was raised on behalf of the owner of Can May, the second pony in St. Leger race, against Burjorjee's Hygeia, which passed the post first. It was overruled by the Rangoon Stewards.

BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

The following persons have been nominated by his Excellency the Governor to be Additional Members of the Legislative Council:—Official:—Mr. G. Carmichael, I.C.S., Mr. R. P. Barrow, I.C.S., Mr. G. S. Curtis, C.S.I., I.C.S., Surgeon-General H. W. Stevenson, C.S.I., I.M.S., Lieutenant-Colonel J. Jackson, M.B., I.M.S., Mr. W. H. Sharp, and Mr. F. L. Sprott.

Non-official.—Sir Henry E. E. Procter, Kt., of Bombay, Mr. J. A. D. McBain, of Bombay, Mr. R. W. L. Dunlop, of Bombay, Mr. Jehangir Hormasji Kothari, of Karachi, Rao Bahadur Ganesh Krisha Sathe, of Sholapur, Mr. Balkrishna Sitaram Kamat, of Poona, Rao Sahab Venkatesh Shrinivas Naik, of Dharwar, Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Kt., C.I.E., of Bombay, Mr. Lalubhai Samaldas Mehta, of Bombay, Dr. D. A. D'Monte, M.D., L.R.C.P. (Lond.), L.M. and S., of Bandra, Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Bart., of Bombay and Poona, Mr. Raghunath Purushotam Paranjpye, of Poona, Rao Bahadur Ramanbhai Mahipatram Nilkanth, LL.B., of Ahmedabad, and Mr. Navroji Dorabji Khandalavala, LL.B., of Poona.

The Hon. Mr. Montague will receive a deputation of the Jewish community to-morrow in Calcutta.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Australia for Anglo-Indians.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Last September, you were good enough to publish a letter from me showing how a friend of mine, Capt. Farley, had gone out to Western Australia, and had done well out of wheat land along the Midland Railway there. The subject proved of intense interest to a large number of your readers, many of whom wrote to me, asking how to join our Syndicate, which I suggested in order that we fathers, with small savings, might combine and, together, become a capitalist, so as to develop this astonishingly fertile virgin soil, which seems to have been altogether overlooked by farmers. The railway authorities in both hemispheres have written to me, congratulating us on my friend's success.

He sold 1,000 bags of splendid wheat—say 6,000 bushels at 3s. and 3d. per bushel, on Coorow railway station; and this, with his wife's success in rearing turkeys, fowls, etc., works out at £1,000 gross return from 200 acres cropped. I imagined that he had cropped 400, but it could not be done. Put it at £5 an acre, and that in his first year.

From his luminous letter, a copy of which I enclose, you will see that the expenses on any block in the first year are very heavy; but, as we have now taken up block after block, we shall have all the horses and machinery that we require, so these heavy items will not recur again on these first blocks.

The railway now realize that we are a capitalist; and they cabled me a contract, copy enclosed; and, in my reply, I accepted the contract, with a house on one of the blocks down at the base, by the railway station, so that settlers going out in our Syndicates can be housed, while they earmark a block of land for themselves in the future, or while they decide on the design for their own house.

A Major's widow, who can bake, cook, and wash clothes, has offered to be our working housekeeper in our mother-house, and she will give ladies all information, advice and help.

Three lots are read the account of our settlement scheme when they were travelling in the lovely vale of Kashmir, and started off straight away to see the crops on our farm; and, after examining the whole countryside, they went off to London to raise money for two fine blocks, three miles away from the railway.

The Government of Western Australia now realize the value of such colonists as ourselves; and they have sent me their Official Handbook of the State, a most comforting book for us, as it says on page 114:—

"In some of the new wheat districts, 30 bushels per acre have been taken off farms which have never had a plough on them. The soil has simply been scratched with a cultivator, i. e., a harrow, and the seed sown in. The fertility of the soil, the rainfall, and the sunshine have completed the harvest."

Many of us go out by the Orient liner "Otway," which leaves Colombo on the 17th of May next; and we are prepared to welcome any others who would like to join us for the season 1914, as our farm manager, Capt. Farley, who has done so well this season, says that the forest land on our blocks must be cleared from June to September, if he is to get the work done at 20s. an acre. Other people have to pay 30s.

When you, Sir, permitted me to let your readers know of this scheme to provide a home for our children in a better climate, my intention was to take, as members, only those who wished to go out and settle on our farms; but many gentlemen asked to be allowed to invest in the Syndicate, without settling in Australia; and I find to my surprise that these members' deposits, giving 10 per cent. interest on a freehold Government title, backed by heavy crops, exactly equal the amount deposited by members whose one desire is to be off to Coorow, and to get to work on one of our farms.

Mr. Fraser of the Bombay Educational Service came over and cross-examined me about the whole scheme; and, after reading the papers, pamphlets, and the Official Handbook, he is of opinion that Headmasters of European schools in India ought to put the scheme before their boys; for we can take one young man of muscle, able and willing to work on every block, as soon as I have had a talk with Capt. Farley on this point on the spot. When Capt. Farley reports that the youth is worth his salt, he will get £100 a year and his tucker-food. Last month, I received a copy of the Government Surveyor's tracing of the whole of Coorow subdivision. On it, the cleared land is marked differently from the uncleared forest; and it names the various timbers, salmon, York, and gimlet gums, also the famous jam wood, known when chopped or sawn, it smells like strawberry jam. I understand that it is practically indestructible, and that it could easily be sold for sleepers in India, instead of being burnt off, as is often the case in Australia.

Anyone wishing to join us early in the new year may send a cheque for any sum ranging from £100 to £1,500 to the Macdonald Syndicate in Messrs. King, Hamilton's Bank, Calcutta. Some months ago, I thought that a member might deposit £1,000 and then earmark a block for himself in the future but Capt. Farley's list of the expenses in the first year convinces me that such a settler ought to have £1,500.

A perusal of the hundreds of letters sent me by readers of the newspapers, which published our scheme, shows me that European subordinates and artisans are sure that their son will not get their job, or their pay; and these able men are now making every preparation to retire, take out their provident fund savings, and to settle anywhere else, where they and their sons and daughters can make a good living.

Western Australia offers a bright happy home in an ideal climate, with hardly any frost or severe cold in the winter, and only 32 days with over 90 degrees Fahrenheit in summer.

Moreover, it is a part of Australia, where labour is not against capital, for the labourer knows that he has only to save half his pay for a few years, and he will then become a small capitalist, and an "employer" of labour.

Artisans with £300 to £400 capital would be welcomed with open arms by all the authorities in the State.—Yours, etc.,

J. MID DLETON MACDONALD,
Chaplain of Dacca.

The Parsonage, Dacca, Dec. 21.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.

Regarding service of defendants' summonses by registered post in the case of persons who are members of a Co-operative Credit Society, and are sued in their capacity as such, the following notification of Judicial Department, is published:—

"In continuation of this office, letter No. 360, dated the 1st March, 1912, I am directed by the Honourable, the Chief Justice and Judges to say that the Rule Committee are of opinion that the Civil procedure Code should not be amended, so as to admit of defendants' summonses by registered post in the case of persons who are members of a Co-operative Credit Society and are sued in their capacity as such, and am to suggest that if Government are of opinion that this proposal of the Third Provincial Co-operative Conference should be given effect to, then the Legislature should insert such a provision in the Co-operative Societies Act."

A copy of the letter from the High Court should be forwarded to the Registrar of Co-operative Societies, in continuation of Government Resolution No. 3,496, dated 7th May, 1912, with an intimation that Government do not consider it desirable to take any action in the matter at present.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEERS.

VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR J. W. HOWES V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, 29th Dec., 1912.

321. Duties—Duties for week ending 5th January 1913.

Orderly Officer 2nd Lieut P Eccles.

Orderly Sergeants.

No 1 Company Sergt A Swann.

No 2 Company Sergt A W Barker.

322. Parades—Saturday 4th January 1913 Nos 1 and 2 Companies Hill parade at Mahaluxmi Battery at 5-15 p.m. for 6-inch B L C Gun Drill.

Dress—Khaki with Helmets.

(Sd.) E. T. LAMBERT, Capt., B. V. A.,
Offg. Adjutant, B. V. A.

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THE MONGOLIAN QUESTION.

Statement by Chinese Premier and President.

Chinese politicians have organised what they call the Mongolian Question Investigation Association, with Mr. Cheng Chi-mei as President.

The Association, in accordance with the decision arrived at at a general meeting held the other day, memorialized the Department for Foreign Affairs on Friday to the effect that China should do all in its power to avoid recognising the Russo-Mongolian Treaty, since the result of such recognition would be fatal. She should therefore assume and maint

SPORT AT HOME.

RACING.

The Sandown Park December Meeting was begun on Dec. 6. The Annual Handicap Hurdle Race was won by Mr. Colgrave's Brandimintine. Mr. Miss won the Ewell Handicap Steeplechase with Glen Heston, and the Three-Year-Old Hurdle Race with Mutton Cutlets. The meeting was concluded on Dec. 7. The Sandown Handicap Steeplechase was won by Sir C. Assheton-Smith's Covertcoat, the December Handicap Hurdle Race by Mr. Harkington's Katanga, the Pond Handicap Steeplechase by Lord Suffolk's General Fox, and the Milburn Maiden Hurdle Race by Lord Rosebery's Dandyprat.

The Nottingham December Steeplechase Meeting was begun on Dec. 9. The Welbeck Handicap Hurdle Race was won by Mr. P. Carr's Ballyhist, the Clifton Three-Year-Old Hurdle Race by Mr. C. B. Ismay's Delnaspidal, the Elvaston Steeplechase by J. Mackley's Vlod's Star, and the Mapperley Handicap Steeplechase by Mr. Tyrwhitt Drake's Irish Mail. The meeting was concluded on Dec. 10. The Broughton Maiden Hurdle Race was won by Mr. H. Glover's Flanagan, the Colwick Selling Handicap Hurdle Race by Capt. P. Barnett's Lord Mac, and the Selling Three-Year-Old Hurdle Race by Mr. A. Parkes's Ratnduff. The remainder of the programme had to be abandoned owing to fog.

The Clewer Handicap Steeplechase at Windsor on Dec. 11 was won by Mr. W. R. Clerke's Malamar by a neck from Major K. Smith's Razorbill, Lord Suffolk's General Fox being third, four lengths away.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY.

Edinburgh beat Glasgow at Glasgow on Dec. 7, by 2 goals and 1 try (13 points) to 1 penalty goal and 1 try (6 points).

England beat the South, at Twickenham, by 31 points to 5; the South Africans beat the North, at Birkenhead, by 21 points to 3.

The Prince of Wales was present at the University match at Queen's Club on Dec. 10. Cambridge beat Oxford by 10 points to 3.

Gloucestershire beat Hampshire in the County Championship, at Portsmouth on Dec. 7, by 1 penalty goal and 2 tries (9 points) to 1 goal and 1 try (8 points).

Richmond beat Guy's Hospital, at Richmond on Dec. 7, by 1 penalty goal and 1 try (6 points) to 1 goal (5 points). London Welsh beat Blackheath, at Blackheath, by 2 goals (10 points) to 2 tries (6 points). London Hospital beat London Scottish, at Hale End by 1 goal, 1 penalty goal, and 1 try (11 points) to 1 goal and 1 try (8 points). Harlequins beat Rosslyn Par, at Richmond, by 2 goals and 2 tries (16 points) to 0. Old Marchant Taylors beat Old Blues, at Richmond, by 2 goals and 3 tries (19 points) to 0. London Irish beat the Royal Military Academy, at Catford, by 1 goal and 1 try (8 points) to 1 try (3 points.) Old Alleynians beat Old Millhillians, at Acton by 2 tries (6 points) to 1 goal (5 points.) United Services beat Aldershot Command, at Aldershot, by 5 goals (25 points) to 0. Llanelly and Swansea played a drawn game at Llanelly, neither side having scored. Pontypridd and Neath played a drawn game at Pontypridd, each side having scored 1 goal (5 points.) Cardiff beat Mountain Ash, at Mountain Ash, by 1 goal and 3 tries (14 points) to 0. Pontypool beat Bristol, at Pontypool, by 1 goal, 1 dropped goal, 2 penalty goals, and 1 try (18 points) to 0. Cheltenham beat Moseley, at Cheltenham, by 1 try (3 points,) to 0. Edwardians beat Cheltenham, at Birmingham, by 1 goal and 1 try (8 points to 0. Bath beat Clifton, at Clifton, by 1 goal and 1 try (8 points) to 1 try (3 points). Leicester beat Northampton, at Leicester, by 3 goals and 1 try (8 points) to 1 goal (5 points). Mill Hill School beat Merchant Taylors' School, at Bellingham, by 1goal (5 points) to 1 try (3 points).

ASSOCIATION.

Cambridge University, who were not at full strength, gained and easy victory over Cambridge Town, at Cambridge on Dec. 7, by 6 goals to 0.

Cambridge University beat the United Hospitals, a Chiswick Park, on Dec. 9, by 4 goals to 1.

The results of the matches in the league Championship on Dec 7 were as follows:—Blackburn Rovers 5 goals, Bradford City 0, at Blackburn; Sheffield Wednesday 1, Manchester City 0, at Sheffield: Aston Villa 1, Bolton Wanderers 1, at Birmingham; Newtastle United 1, Notts County 0, at Nottingham; Tottenham Hotspur 1, Chelsea 0, at Tottenham; Middlesbrough 2, Oldham Athletic 2, at Middlesbrough; West Bromwich Albion 3, Everton 1, at Everton; Manchester United 4, Sheffield United 0, at Manchester; Sunderland 7, Liverpool 0, at Sunderland; Derby County 4, Woolwich Arsenal 1, at Derby.

The results of the matches in the Second Division of the League on Dec. 7 were as follows:—Burnley 2 goals, Wolverhampton Wanderers 0, at Wolverhampton; Huddersfield Town 0, Birmingham 0, at Huddersfield; Fulham 1, Clapton Orient 1, at Fulham; Bradford 2, Hull City 0, at Bradford; Lincoln City 3, Bury 0, at Bury; Blackpool 1, Stockport County 1, at Blackpool; Grimsby Town 0, Notts Forest 0, at Grimsby; Barnsley 2, Glorsop 1, at Barnsley; Preston North End 3, Leicester Fosse 0, at Leicester; Leeds City 1, Bristol City 1, at Leeds.

The results of the matches in the Southern League on Dec. 7 were as follows:—Crystal Palace 2 goals, Gillingham 1, at Gillingham; Swindon Town 2, Exeter City 2, at Swindon; Millwall 2, Brighton and Hove Albion 0, at New Cross; Northampton 3, Merthyr Town 0, at Northampton; Brentford 2, Coventry City 0, at Brentford; Bristol Rovers 2, West Ham United 1, at Bristol; Queen's Park Rangers 2, Watford 0, at Park Royal; Reading 1, Southampton 1, at Reading; Plymouth Argyle 3, Norwich City 0, at Norwich; Stoke 2, Portsmouth 0, at Stoke.

The New Crusaders beat Ipswich Town in the Southern Amateur League, at Sidcup on Dec. 7, by 7 goals to 0; Hamstead and Oxford played a drawn game at Ealing, each side having scored 1 goal; the Civil Service beat London County and Westminster Bank, at Norbury, by 4 goals to 2

GOLF.

Mr. W. R. Birch (Oriel) (handicap 2) and Mr. A. Waterhouse (Oriel) (12) beat Mr. L. L. S. Dodsworth (New College) (scratch) and Mr. R. V. Bardsley (Merton) (1) in the final round of the foursome tournament, at Oxford on Dec. 6, by 3 holes up and 2 to play.

The acquisition of a fourth course at St. Andrews is practically accomplished. The Council has made provisional arrangements to rent the additional ground necessary from Mr. James Cheape, of Strathtyrum, £130 per annum on a lease of twenty-five years. The new course will be to the west and south of the old course and will begin near the Goods Railway Station.

ATHLETICS.

Cambridge University beat the Amateur Athletic Association at Kambridge on Dec. 7 The programme consisted of ten events, and the University proved successful by six events to four.

HOCKEY.

After having played their last four matches on foreign grounds, Cambridge University met the Rest of the East at Cambridge on December 7. The University had one or two of their players absent notably R. B. Lagden and J. M. A. Kendall, but they won by 3 goals to 1.

FENCING.

The final pool in the Amateur Fencing Association's winter epee competition was held on Dec. 6 at Tissart's School of Arms, 77A Margaret Street, W., and was won by Senor L. de Baeza, with M. Ponces second, and Mr. J. A. Franklin third.

LAWN TENNIS.

In the concluding day's play in the match between the British team and a team representing South Wales the visitors won the rubber by 7 matches to 2. In the doubles played on the [illegible] M. Rice and E. L. Jones (New South Wales) beat J. C. Parke and F. G. Lowe (British Isles) 6-8, 6-2, 6-4); O. P. Dixon and A. E. Beamish (British Isles) beat H. M. Rice and E. L. Jones (6-7, 6-4).

The "Madras Standard" understands that V. O. Chidambaram Pillay, who was convicted in connection with the Tinnevelly Riot Case, has been released from the Cannanore jail.

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SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

The engineer of a factory at Duisburg, Germany, was recently hailed to court on the charge of having tampered with his electric meter. The evidence against him was that his bill for current for the year was but 188 marks, as against the 587 marks for the preceding year. The accused engineer explained that he had substituted metal filament lamps for the carbon lamps and that this had resulted in the saving of 68 per cent. As there was no other evidence against him, but that of the bill, the court decided the case in favour of the defendant.

In a little old curiosity shop in a back street of a small Italian town Sir Henry Norman, M. P., recently came across a collection of electrical apparatus constructed by Volta, the Italian pioneer in electrical experiments. According to the "Times," which reports the discovery, the uncle of the grandfather of the present owner of the collecton was Volta's cook and body servant for thirty years. On the death of the scientist, he left much of his experimental apparatus with his body servant and they have since passed down from generation to generation. The collection comprises a cupboard full of old apparatus, a number of books, portraits, papers and letters and some personal and domestic articles. Sir Henry Norman suggests that the collection be purchased and presented to the Royal Institution to remain alongside Faraday's original apparatus.

A good way to harden small blocks of wood used in the laboratory is to boil them in olive oil for about five to ten minutes. Not only are the blocks hardened, but they may be used under water as the process makes them waterproof to a great degree. If desired to be used for collecting gases, that is for supporting bell jars under water, they may be made further waterproof by first boiling them in paraffine, then in olive oil. This makes a wooden block hard and waterproof and every way well adapted for use in pneumatic troughs.

A Russian mining engineer describes in "Meteorogische Zeitschrift" a severe thunderstorm far within the Arctic circle. It occurred in Spitzbergen, where the writer was making explorations, on the 13th of last August. The storm lasted about eight hours, with incessant lightning loud thunder, and heavy rain. Contrary to the prevailing belief, thunder, storms are by no means rare in the polar regions, though they are less common there than in lower latitudes. The storm in question, however, appears to have been altogether exceptional in violence and duration for that part of the world.

Plans for the exploration of Crockerland have been so far developed by the American Museum of Natural History, and the American Geographical Society, that it is possible to announce the starting of the expedition from Sydney, Nova Scotia, on July 20th, 1913, under the leadership of Donald B. MacMillan, who was a member of the last polar expedition under Admiral Robert E. Peary. Besides exploring Crockerland, the expedition will also make scientific observations along the north-western coast of Grantland and the western coast of Axel Heidberg Land, its work being closely connected with that of the other expeditions that have been sent out by the Museum of Natural History and the Geographical Society to clear up the problems of those particular regions.

The vegetable oil used in making paper umbrellas in Japan, is pressed out of the seeds of the rubber plant. This oil is made in the various islands famous for oil and seeds from these plants. Sandy ground is favoured for the cultivation of the plant and the oil is extracted from the seeds by presses. The yield of seeds is estimated at twenty bushels per acre. The annual production throughout Japan amounts to 350,000 bushels, from which over a gallon of oil per bushel is extracted. The oil before it is used is boiled and then cooled until it can be applied by hand to umbrellas with a piece of cloth or waste. No machinery or tools are used in applying the oil. When the oiling is completed the umbrellas are exposed in the sun for about five hours. This oil is also used in making the Japanese lanterns, artificial leather, printing ink, lacquer, varnishes, oil paper, and paints.

Prof. Barnard of Yerkes Observatory made a series of photographs of Gale's Comet a 1912, with the Bruce 10-inch and 6-inch lenses. His observations are reported in the November, 1912, number of "Popular Astronomy. The photographs showed a slender faint tail, whose maximum length was about seven degrees. There was very little change from night to night in the appearance of the tail. But on October 14th the tail was bifurcated at a distance of one half a degree from the head. "One rather remarkable feature about the comet," says Prof. Barnard, "was the persistence of a second very shot tail at a very large angle to the main tail, on the south side on the head." The angle changed becoming greater in each succeeding photograph, until in the last negative it was nearly at right angles to the main tail. Prof. Barnard intends to measure this angle carefully for a study of its changes. "It would seem improbable that the comet's tail had any rotation, because this short tail remains persistently on one side of the comet thoughout the observations." For a few days a very thin steamer about one half a degree long on the north side appeared at a very small angle to the tail. It was visible on October 3rd, 4th, 5th and 7th, in the plates, but was not visible on the 12th, and the following dates.

A new automobile alarm signal of unusual construction and equally unusual sound has just been invented by an Englishman. It consists of a gong placed in proximity to the revolving cooling fan, the blades of which hold small striker arms. By means of a Bowden wire cable the gong can be held against the fan, so that a penetrating but not unpleasant warning sound is introduced. The resulting note is said to be similar to that of a "slip carriage" coming into the railway station.

A novel type of automobile cranking handle, in which the danger of a "kick" is materially reduced has just been put on the market. The device consists of a folding handle, which when released by the hand or torn from its grip by a backfire, jumps into the same plane as the cranking arm, thereby reducing the width of the danger zone, to one inch, instead of the five inches swept by a rigid handle. The power needed to throw the handle out of the way is furnished by a stiff spring.

An armored tire which is giving excellent service in trials at present conducted by the Royal Automobile Club of Great Britain is the Stelastic, manufactured in Westminster. The carcass of the tire resembles the ordinary pneumatic, but in the tread are interwoven a series of spiral springs, which offer an absolutely impenetrable shield to nails, glass and tacks, besides prolonging the life of the tire by reason of their great tensile strength. There are no less than 90,000 of these small springs in a 36+5 tire, and the only thing that can penetrate this armor is a long thin nail (part of a hatpin) entering at just the right angle to slip between the coils of the spring. It is also claimed that the tire does not get heated so quickly, as the steel springs disseminate the heat over a larger area.

The Government of the United Provinces has declared the election of Babu Ishar Saran to the Legislative Council to be void. Babu Ishar Saran was elected by the District and Municipal Board of Gorakhpur Division, but application was made to set aside the election on the ground principally that the successful candidate was not resident of the division.

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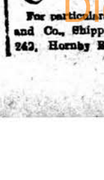
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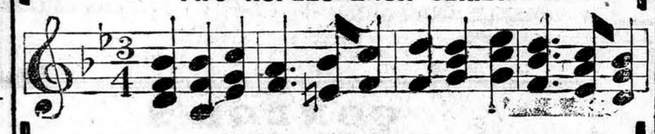
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